

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

The Conundrum

IN finding itself a new House of Commons leader (Mr Gaiskell) the Labour Parliamentary Party has at the same time lost one of its oldest and most efficient office bearers (Mr Morrison). Which means that in solving satisfactorily the problem of replacing Mr Attlee, the Party has inherited the headache of finding a suitable deputy leader.

While the election of Mr Gaiskell as Party chief was generally expected, the appearance of Mr Morrison at the foot of the poll was, on the face of things, a shock. Yet the explanation may well be that a number of Morrison's potential supporters turned from him in order to make certain there should be no second ballot — a ballot which could easily have meant the deputy leader winning at the expense of popular wishes.

The followers of Mr Bevan knew their candidate could not win, and that their only chance of preventing Gaiskell from obtaining the leadership was for their preferential votes to be cast for Morrison in a second ballot. In circumventing such a development, several Socialist MPs ironically helped Bevan to a clear second place in the poll.

MR Morrison's disappearance from the front Opposition benches in the House of Commons is something of a tragedy for the Socialists. His voice in debate cannot hope to carry the same weight and authority. Indeed it may well be that Mr Morrison will decide to withdraw from the political scene in view of his eclipse on Wednesday.

The intriguing conundrum is, who will succeed to the office of deputy leader? Mr Bevan, having polled nearly half as many votes as Mr Gaiskell for the top job, might feel that he is morally entitled to the position. Yet nothing could be more incongruous; it would be a classic example of the lion lying down with the lamb, and from a Party point of view, it would be a disastrous experiment.

Because Mr Gaiskell was elevated to high office mainly by MPs representing the trade unions, it can be confidently forecast that they will make quite sure that no Bevanites will succeed to the deputy leadership. Which considerably narrows the field for candidacy.

IF the selection rested on length and value of service to the Party, Mr James Griffiths, former Colonial Secretary, would have the strongest claim. But Mr Griffiths is already 65 and is fully conscious of the new desire within the Party for younger men to be given the chance of resuscitating the parliamentary fortunes of the Socialists. It is this which may deprive Mr Griffiths of the office.

A fascinating possibility is Dr Edith Summerskill. She is able, moderate in policy and possesses a strong personality. She measures up successfully on all counts, save that her elevation to such a position in the Labour Party hierarchy would create what is probably an unthinkable possibility—a woman as Prime Minister of Britain!

After Mr Griffiths and Dr Summerskill, there appears to remain only Mr Harold Wilson as a suitable candidate for office. Yet he is, at least in the eyes of the trade unionists, tainted; he is an ex-Bevanite. Mr Wilson's talents as a politician and a minister of the Crown have been long proven, but his alliance with Bevan lost him goodwill of the rank and file and the handicap may be too much for him now to overcome.

BACK TO THE VETO AGAIN

Russia Kills US Resolution On Japan

THIRD TIME IN 3 DAYS

New York, Dec. 15.

For the third time in three days the Soviet Union today vetoed in the Security Council a proposal to admit Japan to the United Nations.

At the same time the Security Council rejected a Soviet counter-bid which would have recommended the admission of both Outer Mongolia and Japan at next year's regular session of the General Assembly. The vote on that was only one in favour — the Soviet Union — with the remaining 10 members of the Council abstaining.

Mr Arkady Sobolev, the Soviet delegate, declared that his negative vote "should not be viewed and cannot be viewed as a vote against the admission of Japan at the 11th regular session of the General Assembly."

Britain's Gift To Singapore

London, Dec. 15.

Britain today presented Singapore with a piece of stone from the fabric of the Victoria Tower of the Houses of Parliament.

The stone, elaborately carved in the form of a Tudor Rose, is over 100 years old. It will be incorporated in the Legislative Assembly building of the Crown Colony.

The presentation was made in "Black Rocks Garden," at the foot of the Victoria Tower, by Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd to Mr David Marshall, Singapore's Chief Minister.

Mr Lennox-Boyd said that the stone was a political symbol of the very close and affectionate understanding existing between the British and Singapore peoples.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT
Mr Marshall expressed his appreciation of "this gesture of friendship, especially since it was made at a time when Singapore was seeking a new relationship with the United Kingdom comparable with those of democratic traditions which the stone symbolises."

"This stone from the fabric of the mother of Parliaments, which has known 900 years of freedom. We hope that it will last us as long a period of freedom and democracy. We hope that it will symbolise the new relationship, brotherhood and co-operation in democracy for which we are striving today and which we hope will be a reality tomorrow," Mr Marshall declared.

The stone was salvaged from the damage inflicted on the old House of Commons building by Nazi German aircraft during the last world war. — *China Mail Special.*

Huk Chief Killed

Manila, Dec. 15.

A notorious Huk commander known as the "terror of the central plains" in Luzon was killed in an encounter yesterday with army units in Pangasinan Province.

Commander Sandoz was killed by a corporal of the 6th Battalion combat team who was given on-the-spot promotion for killing the Huk leader. — *France Press.*

Yesterday the Soviet Union vetoed the proposal that Japan be added to the Soviet "package" list of 16 states which the Council eventually approved.

The USSR also used the veto on Tuesday to block the admission of Japan along with all other non-Communist states in the original 18 package deal. The vote on the United States resolution was 10 in favour and only the Soviet Union against. But because of the Soviet Union's veto power the resolution was lost.

BRITISH PROPOSAL

Immediately the Council had voted, Sir Pierson Dixon of Britain proposed a resolution that "The Security Council takes note that Japan is fully qualified for membership in the United Nations and expresses the hope that Japan will soon be admitted to the United Nations."

Sir Pierson suggested that the Council recess for 10 minutes for the delegates to consider this resolution thoroughly.

Sir Pierson said he was "deeply distressed" at the result of the votes taken and he did not think that the Council "should give up at this point."

He thought the Council should try to find a course on which all could agree.

The United States resolution had originally been submitted in this form: "The Security Council recommends to the General Assembly that it admit Japan to the United Nations at its 11th regular session."

LEGALITY DOUBT

But when doubts were raised by Sir Leslie Munro of New Zealand and others about the legality of making admission conditional on a future date, the American delegate, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, accepted the suggestion of the President to vote on his proposal in part stopping the first vote at the words "to the United Nations."

Sir Pierson Dixon said he was proposing his resolution because of the doubts expressed by Sir Leslie Munro about the legality of the US draft. — *Reuter.*

Christmas Issue Tomorrow

A bigger-than-ever feature packed special Christmas issue of the China Mail will be published tomorrow.

Don't miss this annual favourite edition of the Saturday Mail which this year runs to 28 pages. For in it are all our regular features as well as a selection of the best Christmas reading available in Fleet Street.

Here are some of the highlights:

- ★ What was the star of Bethlehem? Leading astronomers give their views.
- ★ The Christmas truce of 1914 — a world's strangest story.
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- ★ How to choose your Christmas wines.
- ★ S. Claus gets an export order from the Commissioner of Customs.
- ★ Gives special Christmas cartoon.

In addition there are: two special Christmas pages for children. And two pages of this season's fashions and home features for women.

And all year regular favourites including Jane Roberts' film reviews, three pages of sports news and views, three pages of local and overseas pictures, comic strips, cartoons, puzzles and a selection of tips for tomorrow's meeting at the Valley — all in the Christmas China Mail.

MARSHALL'S TRIUMPH: MAJOR DEMANDS MET

London, Dec. 15.

Colonial Secretary Alan Lennox-Boyd has accepted the major self-government demands of Singapore Chief Minister David Marshall.

Marshall and Lennox-Boyd launched the final round of their negotiations today. The talks wind up tomorrow.

"Today's talks with Lennox-Boyd were very happy and promising for the future," Marshall himself said.

"It was a very good omen," the Chief Minister said after a 2½ hour session with Mr Lennox-Boyd.

Named as companies and persons deprived of export privileges were the Cheong Kam Kee Trading Company and its manager, Cheong Yuk-leung of Hongkong, and A.M.M. Van De Looveren, N.V. and its manager, Anthonius M.M. Van De Looveren, of Amsterdam.

The Singapore leader said a joint communiqué will be issued tomorrow after the negotiations end. — *United Press.*

NEHRU CREDITED WITH BRINGING ABOUT RUSSIAN VOLTE FACE

New York, Dec. 15.

Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Soviet Prime Minister, personally ordered the withdrawal of Soviet vetoes against 12 non-Communist states which applied for United Nations membership, after intervention by Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, usually reliable sources said at United Nations headquarters today.

These sources said that Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, India's chief representative in the United Nations, called Mr Nehru at the weekend telling of his fear that the proposed 18-nation package deal would founder through the Chinese Nationalist threat to veto Outer Mongolia.

When word of the breakdown was received in New Delhi after Tuesday's Security Council meeting, Mr Nehru was said to have conferred urgently with Marshal Bulganin—who was then in the Indian capital with his associate, Mr Nikita Khrushchev, the Soviet Communist Party Secretary.

APPEAL ACCEPTED

Mr Nehru was said to have impressed upon Marshal Bulganin India's interest in greater Bandung Conference representation in the United Nations and to have urged reconsideration of the vetoes.

According to the source, Marshal Bulganin accepted Mr Nehru's appeal and issued a set of instructions to Mr Arkady Sobolev, Soviet permanent representative at the United Nations.

Mr Sobolev asked Sir Leslie Munro, President of the Security Council, for an "urgent" meeting of the Council. When that body met, he withdrew his vetoes against 12 free applicants on the condition that Japan and Outer Mongolia were dropped from consideration at this session.

The Council quickly accepted the deal, and 16 countries, including four Communist states, were cleared for admission. The General Assembly elected them as members in a special session.

Support for the story came today in Mr Menon's address to the General Assembly, in which he welcomed the new members.

"My government and my country would be failing in their duty if they did not say that we are appreciative of the responses that they (the Soviet Union) made to our approach to them in the last few days," he declared.

High Western sources also gave support to the report. A prominent Western delegate, who has been at the source of all negotiations on the membership issue, said that he thought the Russians had come to realise how unpopular their veto of the free nations, particularly those of Asia, might be all around the world and came to a quick decision to withdraw their vetoes. — *Reuter.*

Difficult Tow Begins

Halifax, Nova Scotia, Dec. 15.

The crippled British freighter Lord Church, with two injured crewmen aboard, bucked high winds and heavy seas at the end of a towline to the salvage tug, Foundation Frances, tonight in the first lap of a 600-mile race to Halifax.

The 6,200-ton freighter, with smashed lifeboats and superstructure, sent out a distress signal on Sunday. The Halifax tug took three days to reach her. After being delayed several hours by fog and high seas, the crew finally managed to get a towline to the ship.

Salvage officials said the tug and freighter would have to push on against even worse winds and heavier seas to get back to Halifax, as the tug encountered on its way out. They estimated the trip would take at least four or five days. The tug and the freighter met in the Atlantic some 600 miles southeast of here after a sudden squall blocked an immediate rendezvous and a guiding search plane had to return to its base. A towline was finally secured shortly before noon.

The Lord Church was bound for England from Norfolk, Virginia, when the storm struck. — *United Press.*

Deportation Proceedings Begin

Manila, Dec. 15.

The Philippine Government yesterday began deportation proceedings against 12 Chinese suspected of being Communist arreted recently for subversive activities.

The Deportation Board heard the government prosecutor demand their immediate deportation for violation of Philippine laws and policies. — *France Press.*

HK Firm Denied Export Privileges

Washington, Dec. 15.

A Hongkong and an Amsterdam business firm have been denied all US export privileges for allegedly circumventing some US export regulations, the Bureau of Foreign Commerce announced today.

Another Amsterdam firm was suspended for one year for a conspiracy with such matters. Named as companies and persons deprived of export privileges were the Cheong Kam Kee Trading Company and its manager, Cheong Yuk-leung of Hongkong, and A.M.M. Van De Looveren, N.V. and its manager, Anthonius M.M. Van De Looveren, of Amsterdam.

SUSPENDED

Suspended was Erik Jansen Handelsonderneming and its manager T. Boelhaert, of Amsterdam, for one year.

The official announcement said in part: "Bureau of Foreign Commerce charged that during 1951-52, Cheung, Van De Looveren, and Jansen effected shipments of pharmaceuticals valued at a total of \$28,000 from the United States by causing false statements to be made on export licence applications and shipper's export declarations that the commodities were for ultimate consumption in the Netherlands. Upon their arrival in Amsterdam and Rotterdam, however, the shipments were diverted to Hongkong. — *United Press.*

Muscat Forces Invade Principality Of Oman

Cairo, Dec. 15.

Reports from the Principality of Muscat on the Eastern seaboard of the Arabian peninsula said tonight that Muscat armed forces invaded the neighbouring principality of Oman and occupied its capital, Nazwa. The ruler of Oman, the Emir Ghalib, was reported to have fled the capital.

The reports said the Muscat forces entered Nazwa today without meeting any resistance. The Muscat flag was hoisted on top of the Nazwa capital and the population's attitude was one of friendly greetings.

The reports added that Ghalib fled the capital the night before after having discovered his own professions of independence from Muscat.

Last week Ghalib informed the Arab League here that Muscat forces were preparing to invade his territory. He then added that he was prepared to defend his land at any cost.

The dispute between the two principalities originated from Ghalib's claims that Oman was independent of the Sultanate of Muscat. The Sultanate maintained that Ghalib and Oman came under its sovereignty.

The Sultan of Muscat has been friendly with the British while Ghalib was reported to have opposed them.

The former Secretary-General of the Arab League, Abdel Rahman Azzam, charged here tonight that the policies of Muscat were inspired by the British, who were seeking to extend their influence in an area which is believed to be rich in oil. — *United Press.*

Firearms Demand By Taxi Drivers

Paris, Dec. 15.

Paris taxi drivers today demanded the right to carry weapons in their cabs after another taxi driver was murdered, the tenth since 1944.

Officials of the cab-drivers' union said the recent murder of taxi driver Gregoire Agabek, an Armenian, was the 230th such attack since 1944.

Cabbies should be given the same rights of defence as soldiers, who are allowed to carry arms at work, the officials said.

West European Fighter Defences To Be Co-Ordinated

Paris, Dec. 15.

The 15-nation Atlantic alliance today approved plans to co-ordinate West European fighter defences to guard against any surprise attack from the East.

NATO's foreign, defence and finance ministers took the decision at a council meeting after being told that Russia had lately opened a new economic and political phase in the cold war that Soviet armed might is greater than ever before.

Fighter defences in West Europe will be co-ordinated under a General Alfred Gruenther, NATO Supreme Commander, in four zones — North, covering Norway and Denmark; Central, covering France, West Germany, the Benelux countries and the United Kingdom; and South, covering the whole Mediterranean area south to the North African coast.

General Gruenther told a press conference after a three-hour afternoon session that he had not asked the council to approve integrated fighter forces or a single radar network under direct SHAPE control because this would at present cut across national lines and sensibilities.

A NEW PHASE

At the opening NATO session earlier today, Mr John Foster Dulles, United States Secretary of State, declared that Russia had deliberately launched a new phase in the cold war. He said the new rigid Soviet line at and since the Geneva foreign ministers' talks had followed a period of "sweetness and light."

The Soviet "threat" had become largely political and economic, mainly aimed at present at the Near and Middle East and South Asia, Mr Dulles said.

The foreign ministers of France and West Germany followed Mr Dulles with calls for greater parts by NATO in the non-military fields, while keeping up their defence guard.

The ministers' assessments of Soviet intentions came at a two-hour opening session this morning.

FULL OF DANGERS

For France, M. Antoine Pinay said the consequences of recent Soviet moves were full of dangers to the West. He urged NATO member governments to study the need to make the organisation a real community.

Turkey's representative, Mr Nuri Bilgi, Secretary-General of the Turkish Foreign Ministry, urged the closest co-operation between NATO and the Baghdad Pact, which links his country, Iraq, Britain, Persia, and Pakistan in the "northern tier" of Middle East defence.

The "Big Three" foreign ministers—Mr Dulles, Mr Macmillan and M. Pinay—were conferring later tonight, during which the Middle East will also probably be discussed. — *Reuter.*

Prince Aly Khan Has Operation

Paris, Dec. 15.

Prince Aly Khan, who was operated on today at the American hospital in suburban Neuilly, informed sources said. Hospital officials confirmed he was there and said he was "doing well." But they refused to describe the reported operation.

A hospital official said "I am sorry, but we cannot give any information to the press." — *United Press.*

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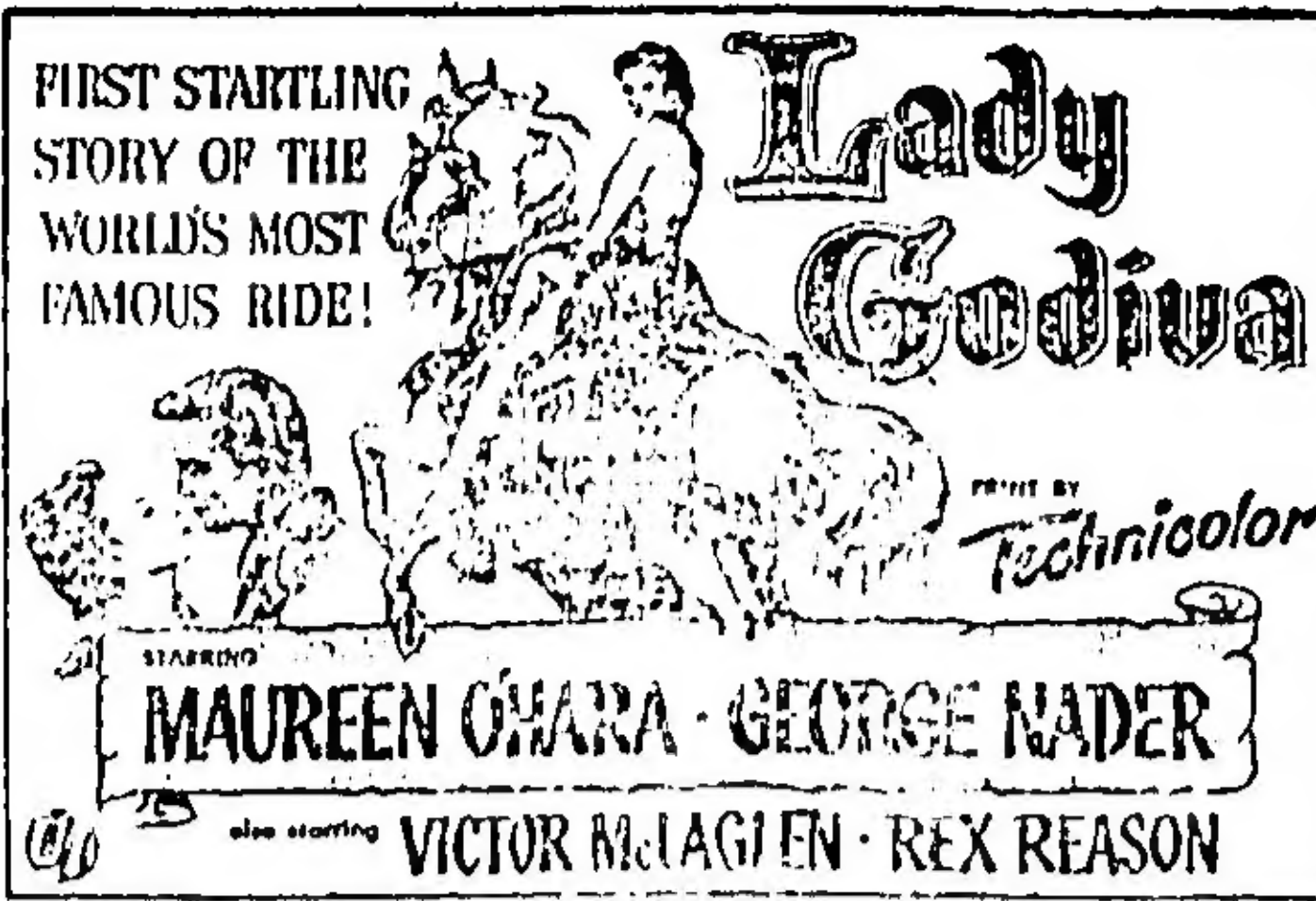


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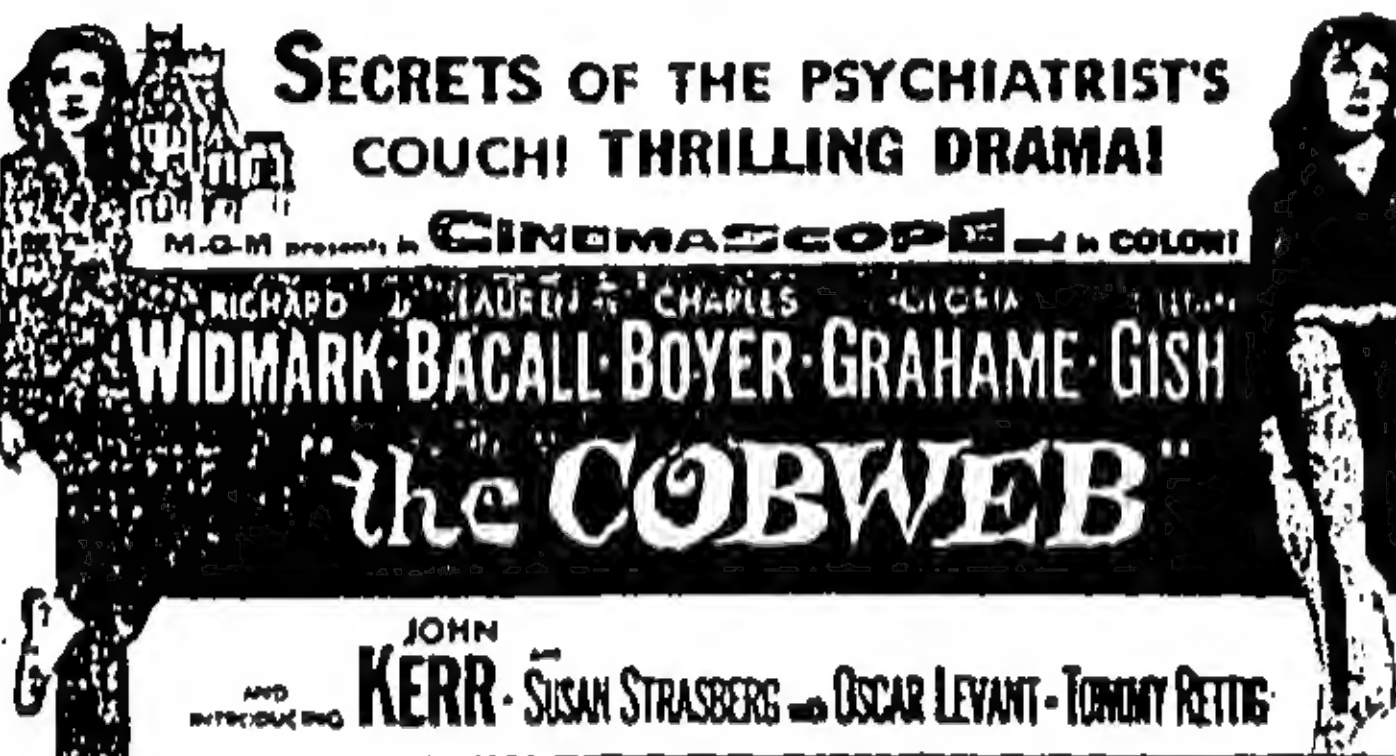
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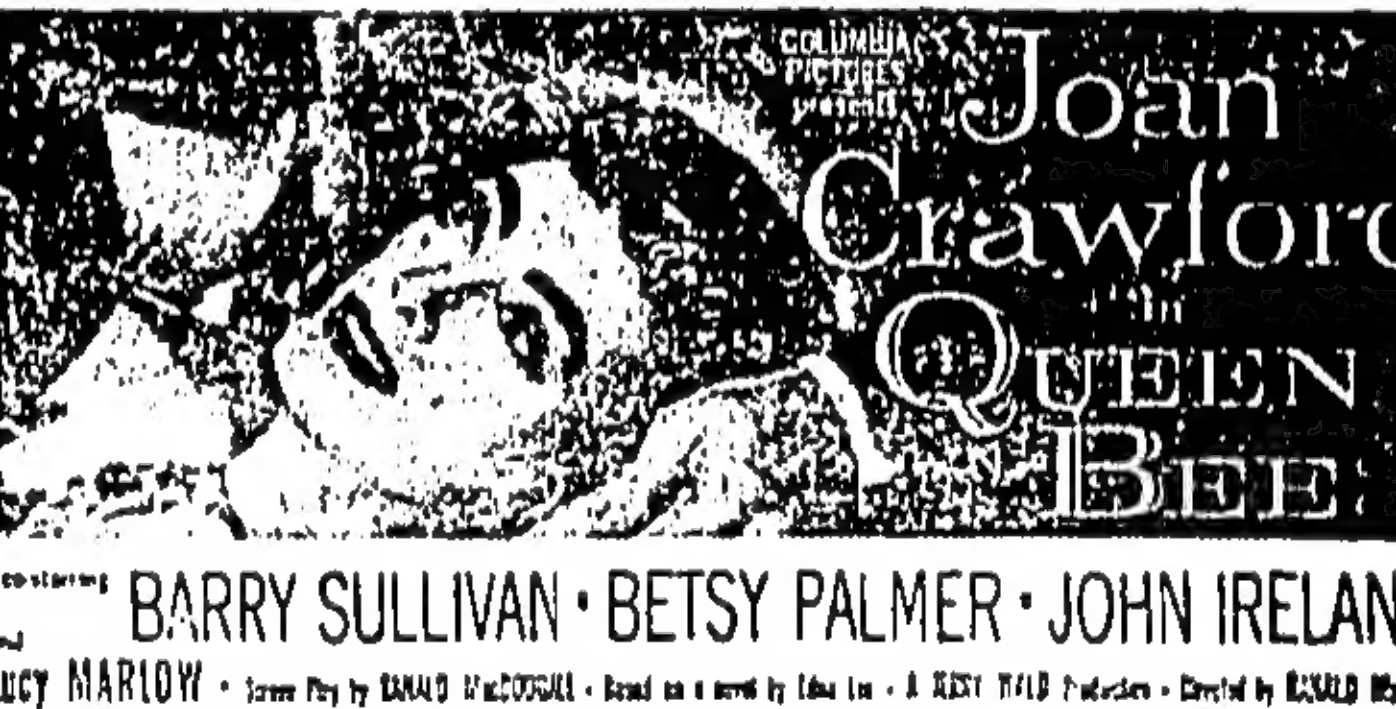
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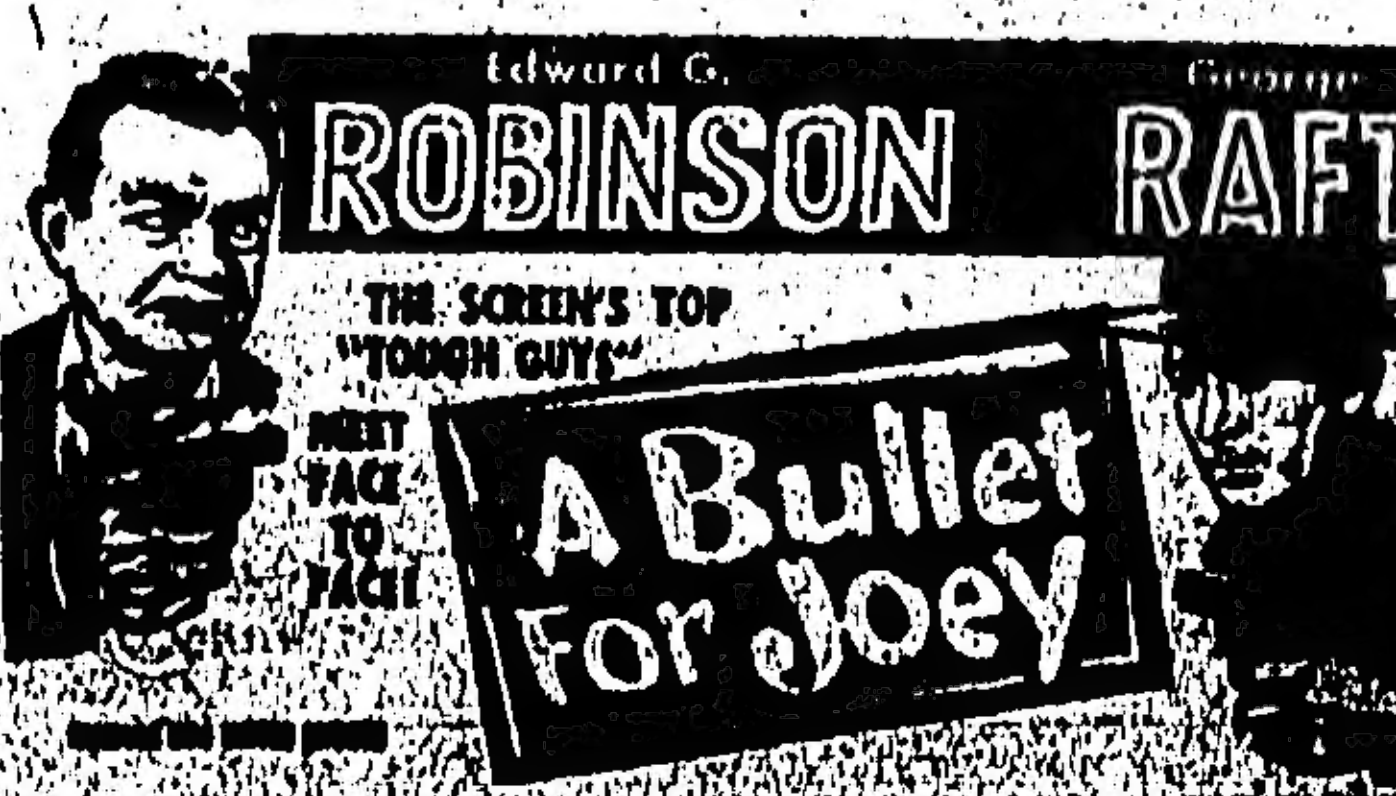


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US Accused Of Violating Repatriation Agreement

Geneva, Dec. 15.

The Chinese Premier and Foreign Minister, Mr Chou En-lai, accused the United States today of violating the Geneva repatriation agreements between the two countries.

The accusation was included in a statement issued by the Chinese Communist Consulate-General in Geneva, site of the Sino-American ambassadorial talks.

Mr Chou's statement which was also published simultaneously in Peking, was a reply to accusations made against the Chinese authorities by the American Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, and other American spokesmen.

The Americans, said the statement, had accused Peking of failing to carry out fully the agreement on the repatriation of civilians reached during the Geneva talks between the ambassadors.

Carried Out

The Chinese authorities had fully carried out the agreement, the statement went on, while it was the United States which had violated it.

The Chinese statement said the "repeated" American charges were "without any foundation", while "it is precisely the Americans who have not fully complied with the agreement and has acted in violation of it."

The statement, issued in the name of the Chinese Foreign Ministry, said: "The American side has failed up to now to furnish our side with a name-list and information concerning all the Chinese in the United States."

The Chinese supplied a name-list and information on Americans in China at the very start of the Geneva ambassadorial talks, it added.

The Chinese statement said the United States Government "indicated that it could not give the Indian Embassy in the United States any assistance" in the task of "finding out the conditions of the Chinese in the United States, to investigate the facts of their encountering obstruction in departure and to assist in their return."

The Indian Embassy was entrusted with this task at the request of China.

Do Not Agree

The Chinese statement continued: "The American side indicated that the Indian Embassy in the United States could not give the office of the British Charge d'Affaires in China, entrusted by the United States, more than reciprocal rights."

The statement said the Americans had "no right to complain in this connection against the Chinese side as the situation is of their own making."

It suggested that if the American wished to change this unfortunate situation they should first "furnish our side with a name-list and information concerning all Chinese in the United States and agree to assist the Indian Embassy in taking the initiative to contact them."

The statement, replying to further US accusations, said that Americans imprisoned in China were "Americans who have committed offences against the Chinese law" and that 28 out of 40 of them had been released during the past four months.

The Chinese Government was continuing to "examine the cases individually" of the remaining 14 Americans in prison.

Tidying Up

The statement said the Chinese side at the Geneva ambassadorial talks had clearly stated their intended procedure on this question. "On the other hand, the American side has never informed us how many Chinese are being imprisoned in the United States, nor has it provided us with a list of their names."

The statement also said that American criticisms on the time taken by the Chinese to release "American criminals" was unjustified since this was a case of "Chinese sovereignty" recognised by the American side at the talks.

The statement said that since August 1, out of 56 "ordinary Americans in China, all the 18 who applied have been permitted to depart, although some had not yet been interviewed by the Chinese."

"Affairs in China", with the authorities' help.

The statement said that "on the other hand" 38 out of the 103 Chinese whom the Americans admitted had "long ago" applied for permission to depart from the United States, "have not yet returned to China."

The statement continued: "The American side declared that their departure had been approved but it has never accounted for their addresses nor the reason why they have not returned. What is more, the American side has refused to assist the Indian Embassy in learning about their conditions."

The statement said a recent American regulation that the Chinese students continuing to reside in the United States, must obtain "exit" permits for Taiwan "was an obvious threat directed against those Chinese students who were for the time being unable to return to China."

Outright Violation

This, the statement said, was an "outright violation of the letter and the spirit of the agreement on the return of civilians reached between the two sides."

The statement concluded: "The Chinese Government firmly asks that the American side put a stop to all its acts in violation of the agreement and fully comply with the agreement reached between both sides."—France-Press.

BOMBAY RIOTS

Bombay, Dec. 15.

The Bombay police today arrested 89 people, including two women, after riots outside the Bombay Municipal Corporation buildings.

The rioters, who were demanding that Bombay City be included in an enlarged Maharashtra State, were amongst 400 volunteers who staged a demonstration in front of the Corporation buildings, where the report of the State's reorganisation Commission was being discussed.

The police threw a cordon round the building, and the demonstrators left quietly after the Corporation had adjourned.

Typhoon Changes Course

Manila, Dec. 15.

Typhoon Ruth gained hurricane strength as she moved up North and away from the Philippines, the Weather Bureau forecasting centre here said today.

At 2 a.m. today the powerful typhoon was plotted about 830 miles east-north-east of Legaspi City in South Luzon, generating 100-mph winds. It was moving northeast away from the Philippines, weathermen said.—United Press.

JET DOCTORS

Canberra, Dec. 15.

The Royal Australian Air Force has set up a jet-age school of aviation medicine at Point Cook Station.

Medical officers will be trained in the special physiological problems of high altitude, jet flying.—China Mail Special.

Tokyo, Dec. 15.

The Japanese Government today decorated Tokichi Matsuo, President of the Japanese Residents Association in New York, with a fifth class Order of Sacred Treasure for his contribution to the welfare of Japanese residents in the United States since 1917.—China Mail Special.



Flowers and fruit make exotic headdresses for two four-year-olds as they do a Latin-American dance at the Royal Albert Hall, London. They were among 1,000 performers from the principal stage dancing schools in the Commonwealth taking part in the National Display of Dancing.—Reutersphoto.

Israel-Arab Solution Must Be Found

London, Dec. 15.

Lord Reading, Minister of State at the British Foreign Office, said tonight in the House of Lords that it was essential to eradicate the hitherto insoluble problem of Arab-Israel relations.

Lord Reading, who was speaking for the British Government in a debate on the Middle East, said that Russian manoeuvres in the Middle East had stressed the dominant need for a vigorous and sustained effort towards a generally acceptable settlement.

"Perpetuation of the present conditions can only mean that tempers will become increasingly frayed, and incidents correspondingly frequent", he said.

"There is always the risk that one day an incident may be staged on one side or the other, upon a scale which approximates so closely to an invasion that the consequences of what was designed merely as an isolated operation may be the outbreak of general hostilities."

Not Wise Policy

In the opinion of Lord Salisbury, Lord President of the Council, the denial of arms to Egypt was "not a wise policy" if the West wished to win Egypt from the Russians. "The only result is likely to be to force them to lean more and more on the Communist bloc for any arms they want," Salisbury pointed out.

On the other hand, said Lord Salisbury, to supply more arms to Israel would probably push "not only Egypt, but other Arab countries" into the Communist net.

"I believe the wise course is broadly that recommended by Premier Sir Anthony Eden to continue to supply the arms on a very limited scale as before in both sides, and maintain as far as possible the former balance, reserving the right to modify that policy in the light of the situation as it develops," Lord Salisbury concluded.—France-Press.

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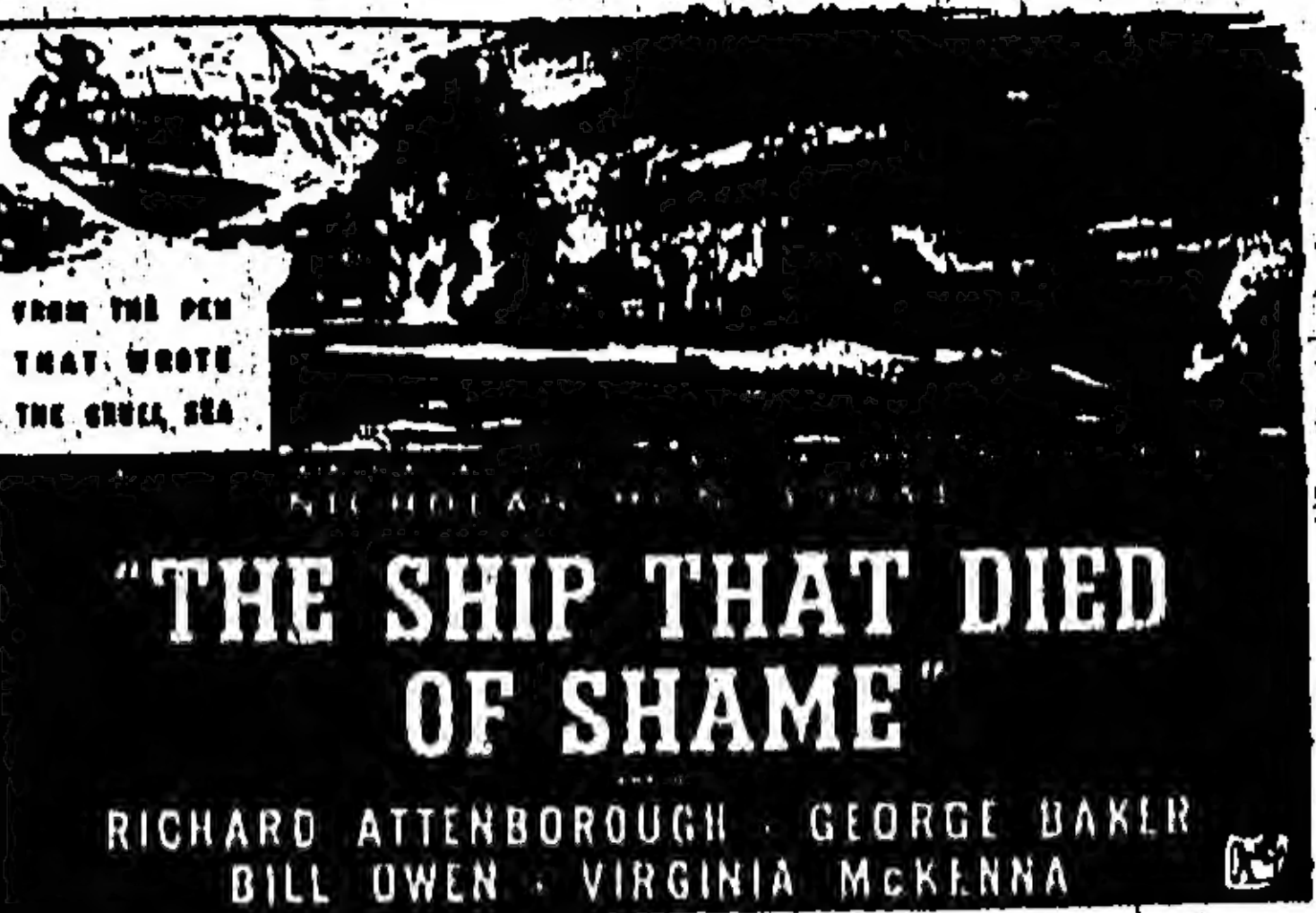
Capetown, Dec. 15.

Mr C. C. P. Bergh of Rosh-doro, Transvaal, sold his cow Daisy to a farmer ten miles away on Friday. On Sunday Daisy was back mooing reproachfully through the window.

A deal is a deal, however, and the cow was sent back to her new owner.—China Mail Special.

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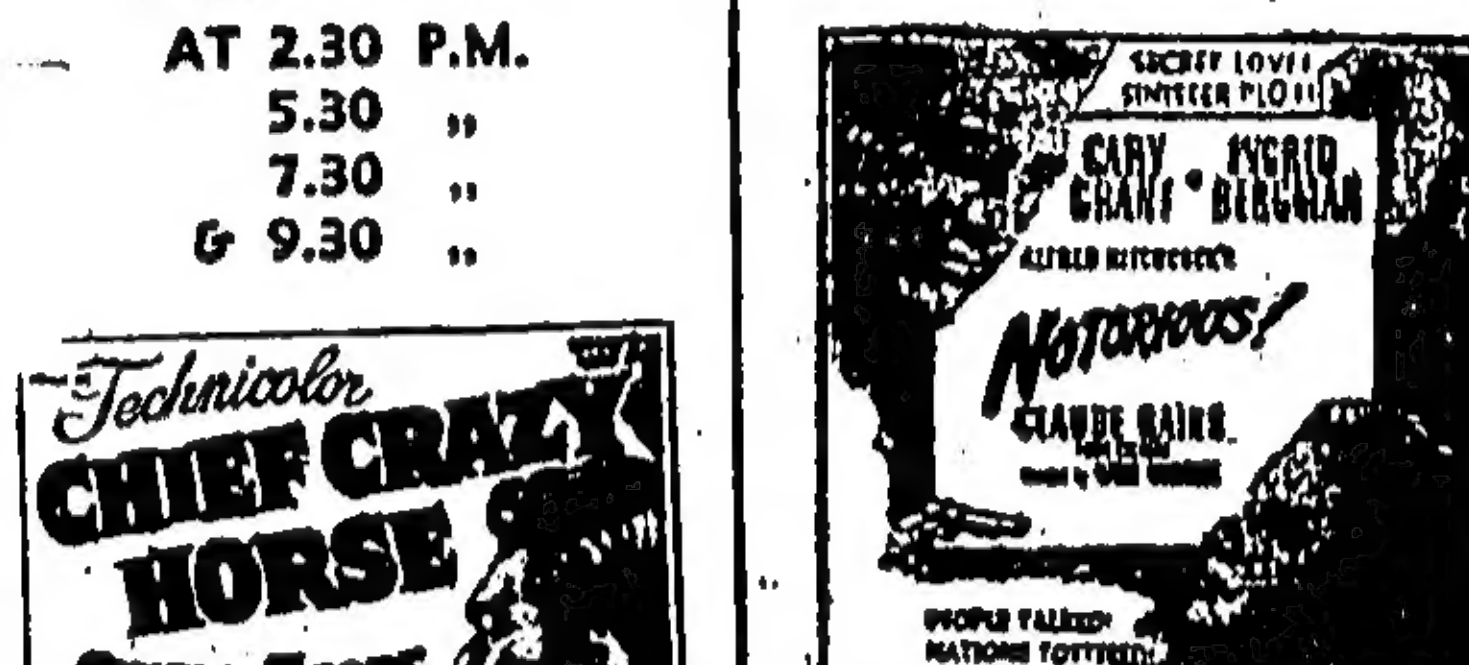
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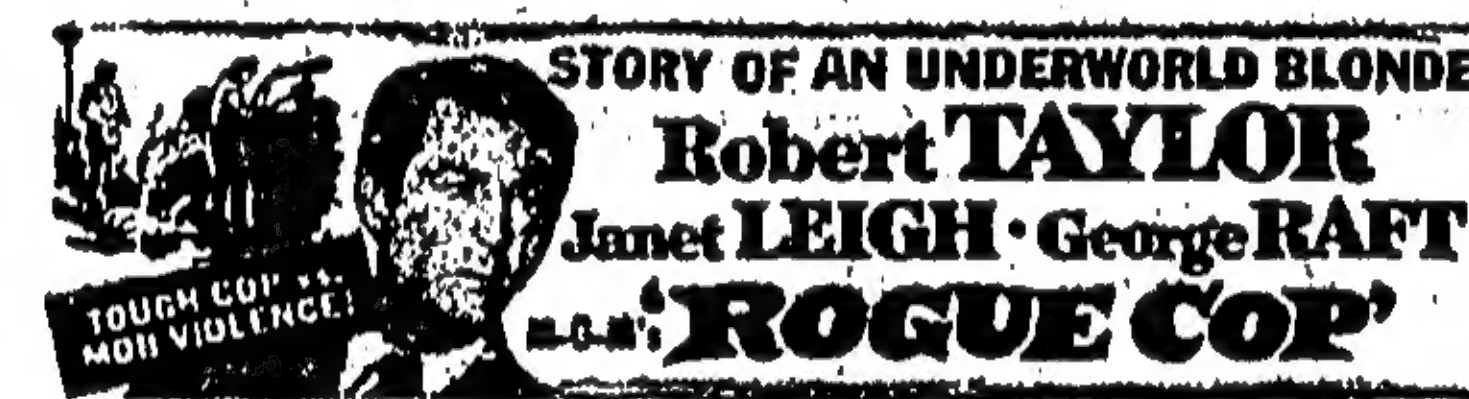
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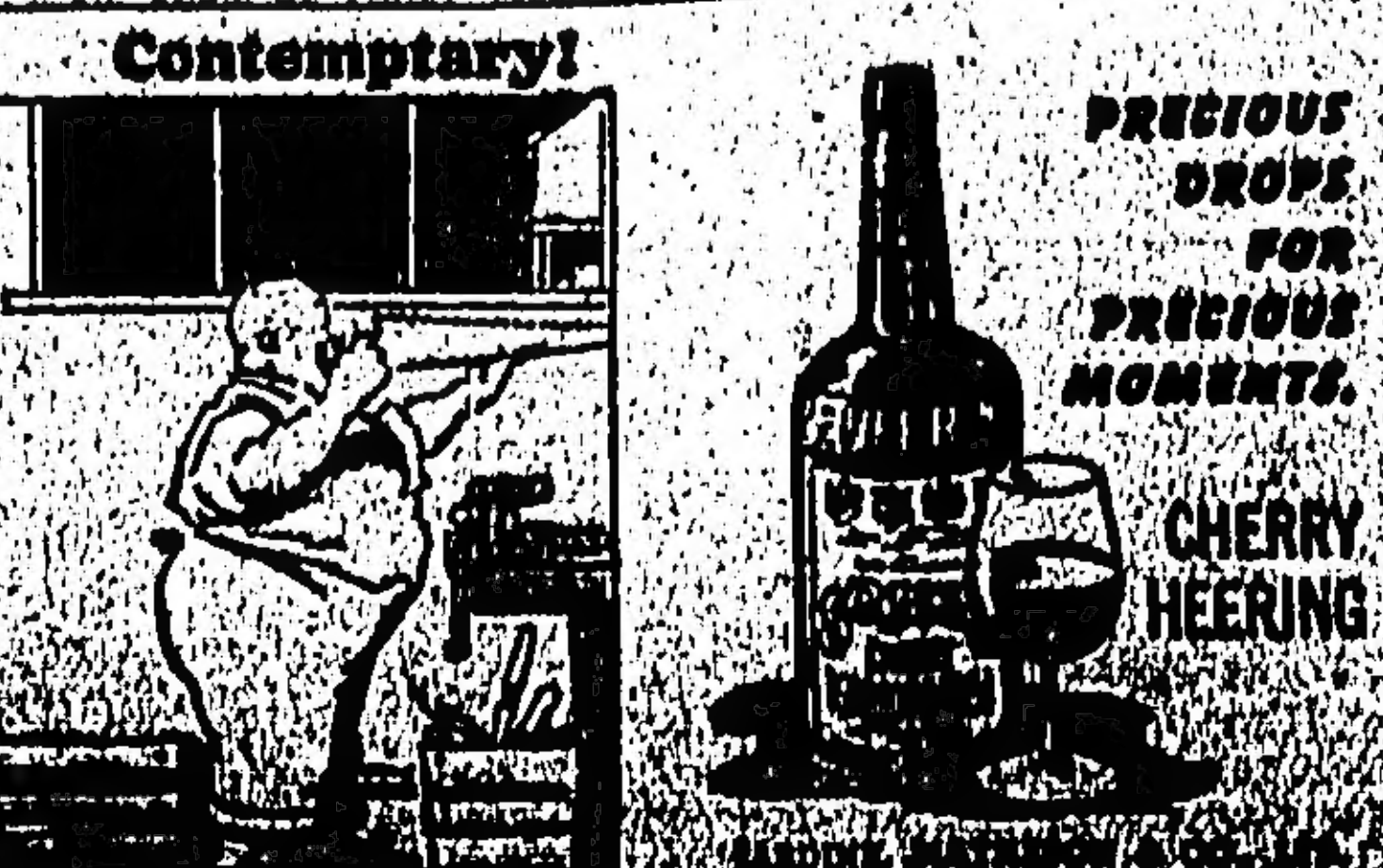
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First Japanese Warship

Tokyo, Dec. 15. The first Japanese-made warship since the end of the war was today handed over to the Maritime Self-Defence Force (Navy) at Yokohama dockyard of the Mitsubishi Nippon Heavy Industries Company near Tokyo.

The Maritime Self-Defence Force said the mine layer *Tsurumi*, 830 tons, under construction since December 1954, would be on duty in northern coastal waters.—China Mail Special.

No Halt In Russian Arms Efforts

Washington, Dec. 15. A. M. Arleigh A. Burke, Chief of US Naval Operations, warned today that there is "nothing to indicate the Soviet Union is slowing down in her armament efforts."

Russia, Adm. Burke said, already has become the second-ranking seapower in the world and is "still growing—and growing fast."

Since the end of World War II, he said, Russia has built more cruisers and destroyers and submarines "than all the rest of the world combined." In addition, he said, Russia "is still building aircraft at a very rapid rate."

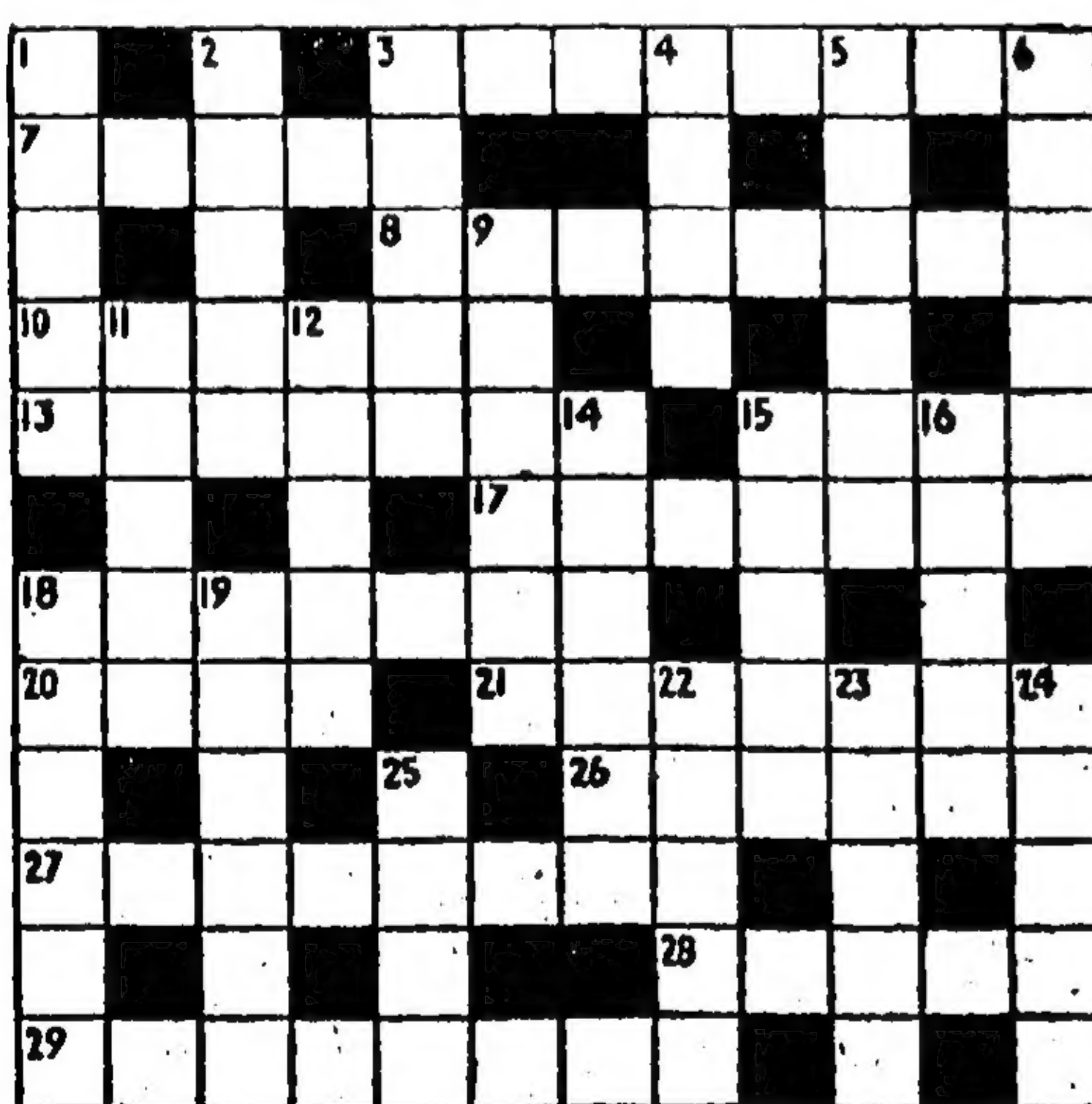
Appreciation

In a speech before the National Press Club, Adm. Burke said the rising Russian naval power indicates "Soviet appreciation of seapowers' full potential." The Soviet Union, he said, has learned the lessons of World War II and "realizes that control of the seas is absolutely essential to success in war."

Adm. Burke said the Russian Navy, with its emphasis on cruisers, submarines and destroyers, is designed to prevent the United States and the free world from using the seas near the European and Asian mainland.

He noted that the free world is in effect "an oceanic confederation" and warned that if the United States should lose control of the seas, "our entire overseas investment will go down the drain to be utilized by the enemy as he sees fit."—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Atom (8).
- 7 Musical work (5).
- 8 Omens (8).
- 10 Disturbance of the peace (6).
- 13 High naval rank (7).
- 15 Kill (4).
- 17 Containers for soup (7).
- 18 Bullfighter (7).
- 20 Impetuosity (4).
- 21 Meat ball (7).
- 22 Required (8).
- 27 Allocated (8).
- 28 Extinguish (5).
- 29 Godliness (8).

DOWN

- 1 Snake (5).
- 2 Broom (6).
- 3 Journal (6).
- 4 Infants (4).
- 5 Wax light (6).
- 6 Attempts (6).
- 9 Speaker (6).
- 11 Perfect (6).
- 12 Giant (6).
- 14 Enticing (6).
- 15 Fish (5).
- 16 Confused fight (8).
- 19 Plaid (6).
- 21 Unwell (5).
- 22 Small (5).
- 23 Borders (5).
- 24 Agreement (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1. Chili, 5. Brown, 8. Igloo, 9. Solomon, 10. Astir, 11. Boost, 12. Mend, 13. Tests, 16. Desert, 18. Soused, 20. Enthus, 22. Calm, 23. Snatch, 25. Green, 26. Linger, 27. Lagoon, 28. Chess, 29. Serene. Down: 1. Cashmere, 2. Idleness, 3. Lamb, 4. Ignorance, 5. Boasted, 6. Rooster, 7. Waist, 14. Strangle, 15. Submerged, 16. Duennet, 17. Settles, 19. Ouse, 21. North, 24. Hire.

RUSSIAN PROPOSAL TO LINK JAPAN & OUTER MONGOLIA

New York, Dec. 15.

The Soviet Union today proposed that Outer Mongolia be linked with Japan in a bid for membership in the United Nations next year.

The proposal was made by Mr Arkady Sobolev, the Soviet delegate, immediately the Security Council met today to consider a United States proposal, which came in the wake of yesterday's recommendation to admit 16 new members, that Japan should be recommended for United Nations membership at the next session of the General Assembly in 1956.

The Soviet Union yesterday omitted Outer Mongolia and Japan from the new "package" list of 16 which they unexpectedly submitted to the Security Council.

Following the Council's approval of the 10 nations, in a dramatic light session and some of them today cast their first votes in the world organization.

Taken Up

In omitting Outer Mongolia and Japan Mr Sobolev said yesterday that he hoped both would become members next year.

Taking him up on this, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, the United States delegate, immediately submitted a resolution yesterday asking the Council to recommend that the General Assembly admit Japan to the United Nations next year.

The Soviet representative said that the Soviet delegation wished to admit Outer Mongolia.

The Soviet Union on Wednesday proposed that 16 states be admitted, omitting Japan and Outer Mongolia.

Mr Sobolev said today that the General Assembly in a resolution it had sent to the Security Council on December 8, had spoken out in "a concrete fashion" in favour of the admission of 16 states, including Outer Mongolia and Japan, was a result of yesterday's action, he added, only two states had been overlooked.

None could shun the fact that only the veto of Nationalist China against Outer Mongolia on Tuesday had prevented the solution of the problem of Outer Mongolia and Japan being included in the list of 16, said Mr Sobolev.

Therefore, in view of the opinion of the majority of the Assembly and the Security Council in favour of the admission of both states, "what reason is there to have at this juncture only to consider the admission of Japan without, at the same time, considering the admission of Outer Mongolia?" he asked.

Desire For Solution

We are no justification at all," added Mr Sobolev.

The Soviet delegate said that Mr Lodge had referred to his statement of the day before.

"Well, let's see what I said," added Mr Sobolev.

He said that he had commented on the Soviet Union's "desire to see a solution" of the question of new members.

The Soviet delegation had withdrawn its negative vote on a number of states and would vote in favour of them with the exception of Japan and Outer Mongolia, bearing in mind that they would both be considered at the next Assembly session.

Mr Lodge said it was hard to understand Mr Sobolev's argument that the United States resolution was not aimed at solving the membership problem.

It seemed to him, Mr Lodge said, that what the United States was doing was aimed exactly at solving the problem.

He recalled that the United States had made it clear in the General Assembly's special political committee on November 18 that she favoured the admission of 17 countries, excluding Outer Mongolia but including Japan.

The Soviet Union put Japan and Outer Mongolia in the same bracket, Mr Lodge said. "We of the United States just cannot admit that," he declared. "I do not have in mind so much the fact of Japan's population and importance and size and contribution to the economic life of the world, although these things in themselves are very impressive."

Churchill Quoted

He referred to Japan's contributions to art and culture and then said there had been "tragic periods in our history with Japan."

"But we are here looking forward, not back. We are looking to the peace of the world," Mr Lodge said.

He quoted Sir Winston Churchill's statement condemning those who looked to the past instead of to the future.

Mr Lodge then went on to quote from the verbatim record of Tuesday's Council meeting in which Mr Sobolev stated that Japan's admission should be postponed to the next session of the General Assembly in 1956, "for reasons which are clear to everyone."

But, Mr Lodge added, these reasons were not clear to him.

Mr Sobolev had referred only to Japan. There was no mention at all of Outer Mongolia, Mr Lodge added.

He also quoted another statement from Mr Sobolev in the verbatim record to the effect that the Soviet Union had not changed its attitude to the admission of Japan.

"Not a word here about Outer Mongolia," Mr Lodge said.

He said that in introducing his resolution today, the United States hoped it would be accepted at once by the Soviet representative "which would mean a demonstration of international harmony and good feeling which would be an example to the world."

Mr Sobolev replied that Mr Lodge had quoted only a part of what he said.

Earnest Appeal

"I said yesterday," Mr Sobolev went on, "that I hoped there would be concerted efforts between the sessions of the General Assembly to ensure the admission of both countries to the United Nations at the next session. What can be more clear?"

Mr Salim Serper of Turkey made an "earnest appeal" to the Soviet Union not to press to a vote its resolution on Outer Mongolia. He said that the Soviet resolution on Outer Mongolia "would entirely change the meaning and scope of the United States resolution on Japan."

"In fact, it might change it into a very strange package deal and indeed one of the most curious package deals ever proposed," Mr Serper said.

He added that the United Nations could not afford to lose sight of the role Japan played in international relations. "How could it ignore the 'valuable contribution' Japan would bring to the United Nations?"

"I hope sincerely we will be able to reach a reasonable solution without making the situation more bitter than really is necessary," Mr Serper concluded.

Excellent Intent

Sir Leslie Lamont, speaking as the New Zealand representative, said he would abstain, "in

both the resolution. He said he wished to make it clear that his abstention did not affect New Zealand's "very strong view" that Japan, which was an extremely well qualified candidate, should be admitted at once.

"I repeat that I regret that this was not done yesterday," Sir Leslie said.

Sir Leslie said his abstention on the resolution of the United States "the excellent intent of which was fully appreciated"—was based entirely on "a political ground."

Dr T. F. Tsiang of Nationalist China said that the proposition linking Japan with Outer Mongolia was certainly not acceptable.

"That Japan is qualified for membership in the United Nations is universally admitted," he said, adding that not even the Soviet Union had for one moment objected to the qualifications of Japan.

"As for my delegation, I have never had a single second of doubt that Japan is fully qualified for membership in the United Nations," Dr Tsiang said.

"Japan remains an honoured nation among the international community."

An Insult

"But as for the qualification of Outer Mongolia, I shall only say that Outer Mongolia is not an independent sovereign nation. It is a Soviet colony and has been used by the Soviet Union for aggression against my country in 1947 and against the United Nations in the war in Korea."

Now, he continued, the Soviet Union was linking the two applicants together.

"To condition the admission of Japan on the admission of any country is a violation of the Charter," the Chinese delegate said. "That's a serious act. I think the Security Council should make a serious attempt to prevent such a flagrant violation of the Charter."

"To bracket Japan with Outer Mongolia is an insult to Japan and an insult to the intelligence of the world."

"Such a proposition is certainly not acceptable."

Mr Cyro de Freitas Valle of Brazil said that, eager as his country was to see Japan's admission, it did not seem in order to approve this today.

Sir Pierson Dixon of Britain said he would vote in favour of the United States resolution and abstain on the Soviet resolution—at least that part of the resolution which recommended the admission of Outer Mongolia at the eleventh session.

"My vote for the United States resolution," he said, "is an expression of our keen desire to see Japan admitted to United Nations as soon as possible," he said.

Quite Different

As regards his abstention on Outer Mongolia, Sir Pierson said, he had voted in favour of Outer Mongolia two days ago, but had explained then that Britain had "serious doubts" about its qualifications. He said he had been prepared to judge the matter with the "utmost benevolence" owing to the circumstances which the Council was then confronted.

"However the situation is quite different today," Sir Pierson said. "And equally, I need not disguise that our enthusiasm for Outer Mongolia has never been very great."

Britain, he said, had never agreed that the admission of both these countries should be linked together and it was his government's view that the "mistake" that had befallen Japan by not being admitted at this session should be redressed as soon as possible.—Reuter.

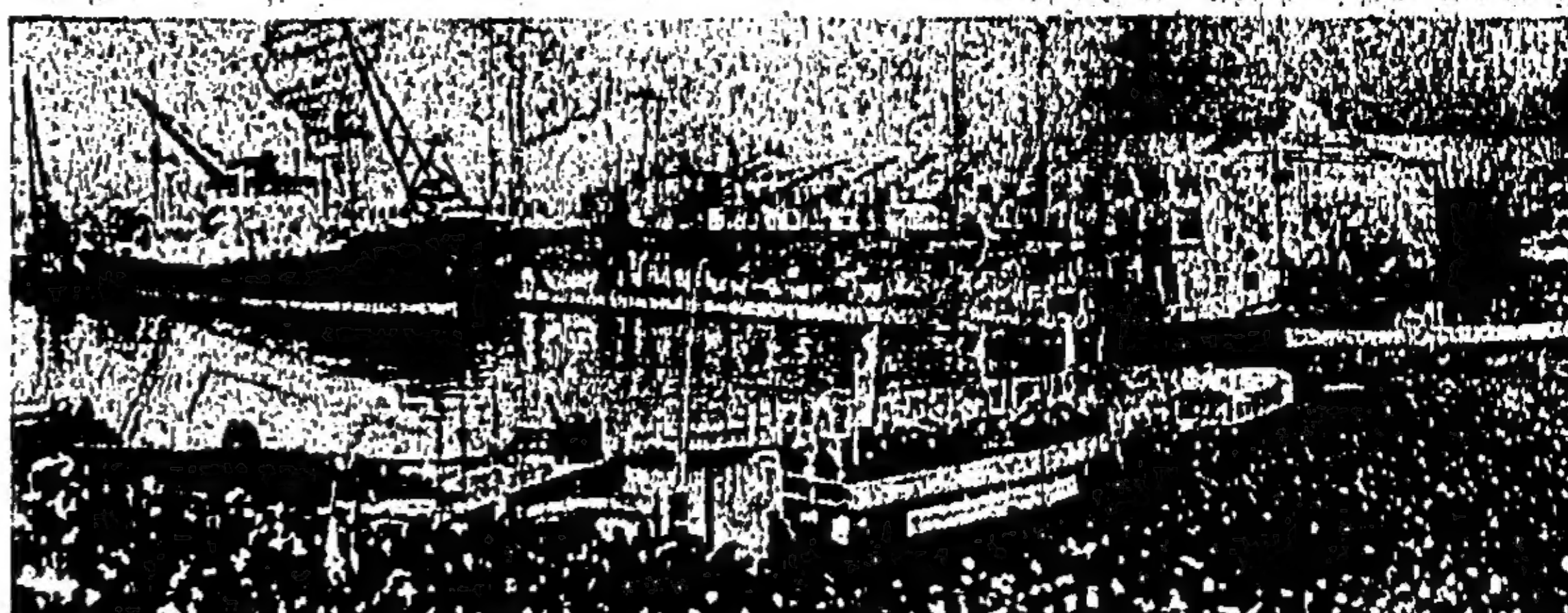
Presentation Encyclopedia

The Shell Oil Company of Japan today presented a set of 1955 revised edition of the Encyclopedia of Britannica to each of the 10 leading Japanese universities.

The universities, including Tokyo University, were all asked to make employees of the company.

The representative of the universities today attended the presentation ceremony held in Tokyo.—China Mail Special.

RUSSIAN ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION



A big send-off at Khabarovsk for the diesel-powered Ob, a ship carrying the first Soviet comprehensive research Antarctic expedition of the USSR Academy of Sciences. According to the expedition's chief, Mr M. M. Somov: "We are sailing half-way round the world for peaceful purposes—to carry forward the noble undertaking of the glorious Russian seafarers who, 125 years ago in the sailboats Mirny and Vostok, discovered for mankind the far-off and mysterious Antarctic." The ship has taken on enough fuel for sailing 80,000 kilometres without port calls.—Express Photo.

F.O. Spokesman Was Right Says Killearn

London, Dec. 15.

Lord Killearn, formerly British special Commissioner for Southeast Asia, said today the adjective "hypocritical" applied by a British foreign official to speeches of Soviet leaders in India was "neither misplaced nor inaccurate."

He had asked the Government in the House of Lords to make available a reliable translation of the utterances about Britain by Marshal Nikolai Bulganin and Mr Nikita Khrushchev during their visit to India.

Lord Reading, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, said no official transcript existed.

"We have to rely on press reports," he said.

Lord Killearn then asked: "Would you agree that in the light of the reports of these utterances as they appeared in the press here, the adjective 'hypocritical' is neither misplaced nor inaccurate?"

Lord Reading replied: "Whatever one's view may be, that does not arise out of the question on the (agenda) paper."

(The comment "hypocritical" was made by a Foreign Office spokesman, Mr Peter Mathews, on Marshal Bulganin's speech in the Indian Parliament in which he said Russia did not interfere in the internal affairs of other countries.)

Commons Question

In the House of Commons today, Mr Phillip Price, Labour spokesman, asked the British High Commissioner in India to make known British aims and policy on foreign affairs, disarmament and relations with Asiatic countries.

Mr Douglas Dodds-Parker, Under-Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, replied: "The normal methods of exchanges of views and information, which is a marked feature of Commonwealth relations, already ensures that the Government and people of India are well acquainted with the aims and policies of the British Government."

Mr Price: "Have you any information about the Indian public's reaction to Mr Khrushchev's speeches?"

Mr Dodds-Parker: "No, I think you should look at the newspapers for reports."

THOREZ ATTACKS MR FRANCE

Paris, Dec. 15. Maurice Thorez, Secretary-General of the French Communist Party, lashed out at former Premier Pierre Mendès-France, at an electoral meeting in the east end of Paris tonight.

Thorez accused Mendès-France of being partly responsible for the deterioration of the situation in Algeria and of opposing workers' wage claims.

He said the Communist Party platform for the elections included reduction of military service from 18 months to a year and lowering the voting age from 21 to 18.

Mendès-France has turned a serving Republican bloc with the Socialist Party to fight the elections. The Socialists had turned down an offer of alliance made by the Communist Party.—Reuter.

Franco-Spanish Relations

Madrid, Dec. 15.

The High Commissioner for Spanish Morocco, General Garcia Valles, told Spanish newsmen in S. a. s. s. a. (northeast Spain) that relations between France and Spain will show a "considerable improvement," official sources said today.

General Vallino confirmed that he is soon to meet the French Resident-General in Morocco, M. Andre Dubois, in Spanish Morocco.

The General said he expected France and Spain soon to adopt a "parallel policy" in both the French and Spanish zones of Morocco.—France-Press.

EARTH TREMOR

Tokyo, Dec. 16.

The Central Meteorological Observatory announced a slight earth tremor in eastern and a part of northern Japan today.

The Observatory said the epicentre was near Mt. Tsukuba, Ibaraki Prefecture, northeast of Tokyo.

Police reported no casualties or damage.—China Mail Special.

US Should Buy More Japanese Goods

Boston, Dec. 15.

Mr Sadab Iguchi, Japan's Ambassador to the United States, today called upon Americans to help Japan on the road to economic stability by increasing their purchases of Japanese goods.

In an address to the world affairs council of Boston, Mr Iguchi noted that Japan was importing three times as much from the United States as it exported.

"Japanese (economic) dependence on the United States is not due merely to the political condition on limiting trade with China or the naturally low volume of business available at this early stage of economic development in Southeast Asia," he said.

"On the contrary, we are a venerable, and substantial customer, being one of the three principal US customers abroad."

Every Effort

"It is for this reason, partly that the United States appreciates our trading problems and so helpfully supported our readmission to the world trading community by membership in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, or GATT as it is popularly known."

"At the same time, it should be appreciated that Japan is buying about three times more from the United States than the United States buys from Japan and that this overwhelming imbalance in favour of the United States furnishes all the more reason why the American people should make every effort to help by buying from us a volume of goods which more closely approximates the value of what we buy from your country."

Mr Iguchi said United States was reaching Japan's efforts to overcome external trade deficits and to attain a viable economy thereby to establish Japan as a factor for stability in Asia and the Far East with half peace and half anxiety, pride arising from the legitimate feeling of the American people that they had helped Japan to have peace and stability arising from a feeling that Japan was going to meet American markets with cheap goods.

"To understand and appreciate Japan's economic efforts to

US May Restrict Movement Of Satellites

Washington, Dec. 15.

The State Department said tonight that it was considering whether to clamp travel restrictions on the new Bulgarian and Albanian representatives in the United Nations.

The United States does not have diplomatic relations with either of the two Communist-controlled countries, which were admitted to the UN under the 16-nation package deal.

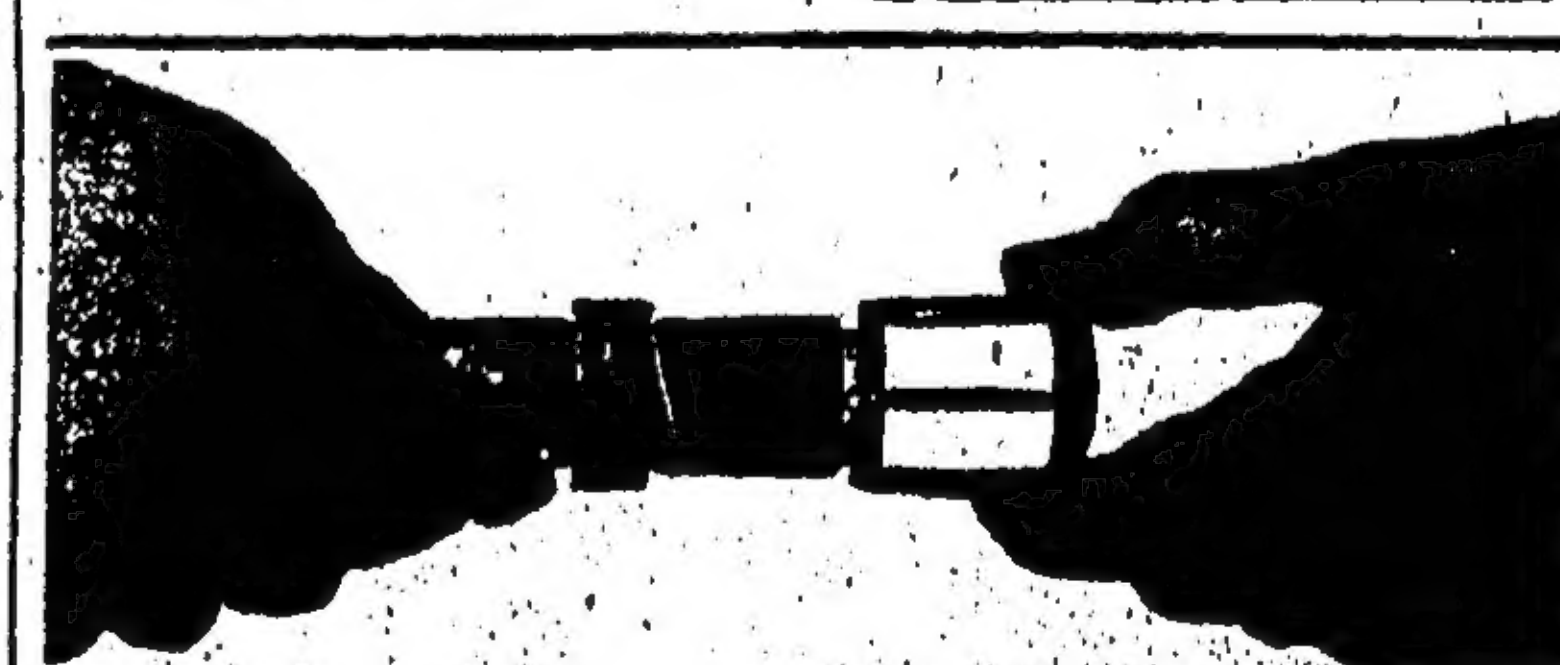
A Department spokesman said the case of Albania and Bulgaria was somewhat different from that of most other Russian satellites. The United States has clamped travel restrictions on the representatives of some of the satellite nations, but only after those countries restricted the movement of American officials within their borders.

Since the United States has no diplomatic relations with Albania and Bulgaria there are no US officials in those countries and hence no restrictions. Restrictions affecting the other satellites vary from country to country on a "reciprocity" basis. The Department spokesman emphasized that admission of Albania and Bulgaria would have no effect on US refusal to recognise the Moscow-dominated Balkan countries.—United Press.

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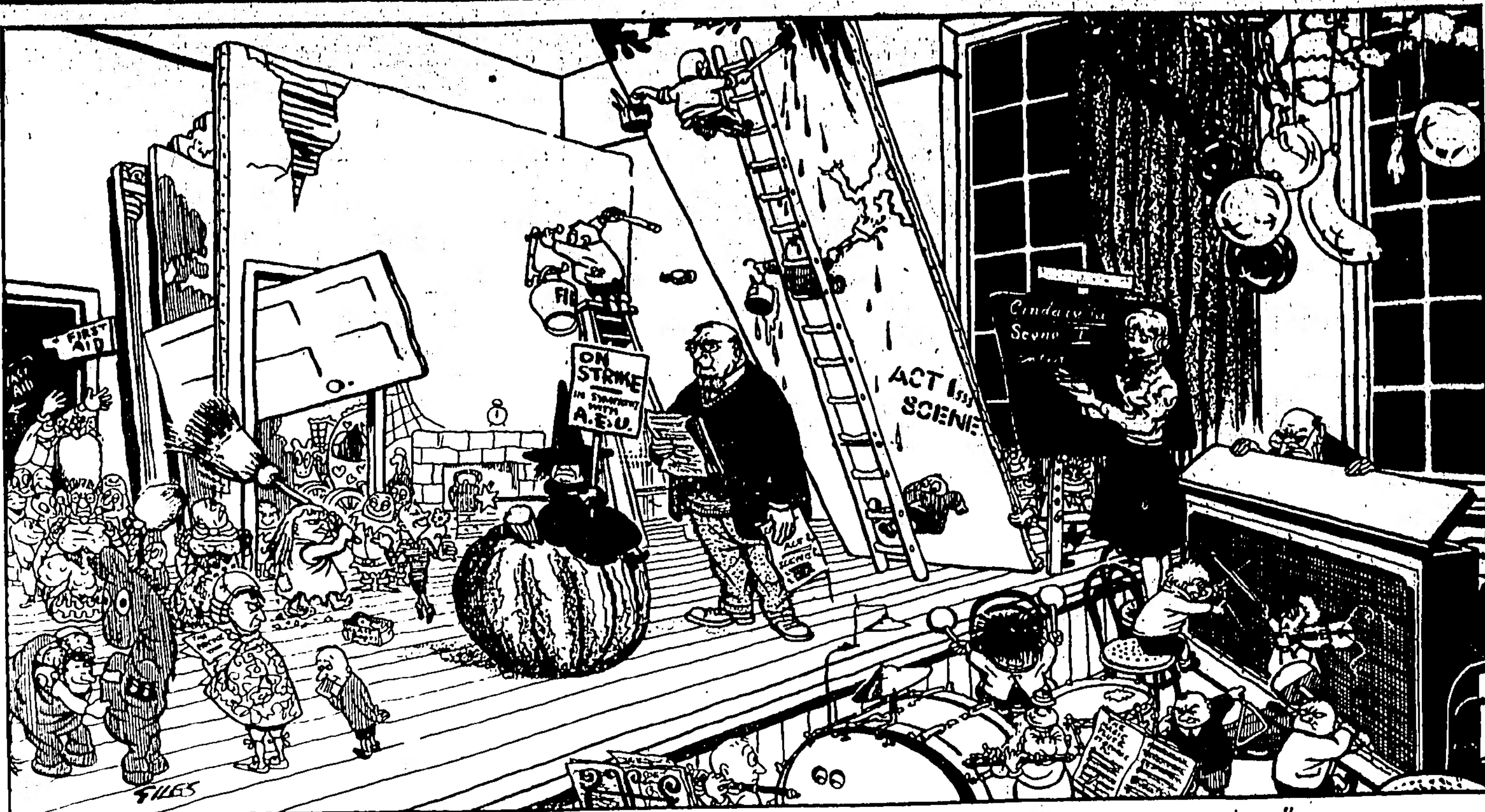
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DON IDDON'S DIARY

Edwards Air Force Base, in the Mojave Desert. **W**HAT is the heat barrier? The command-ing general here, J. S. Holtner, in this most advanced of aircraft test centres, has no specific definition.

The chief test pilot, Lieut. Colonel Frank Everest, talks vaguely of the upper sky, but Major Arthur Murray, one of the rocket-ship test team, has the most vivid description: "Nobody knows how an aeroplane will act up there. What unpredictable dangers wait for the first man to cross the threshold to outer space."

"The air is so thin you'll boil like a tea-kettle; so cold, a mercury thermometer would freeze; cosmic radiation, whizzing meteorites, and weird weightlessness."

I was chatting with Colonel Robert Caldwell, Deputy Commander of Edwards, known heretofore as Muroc, when a plane overhead crashed the sound barrier. There was the sharp explosion and Colonel Caldwell said: "There goes the barrier."

I asked him: "Is there any noise or explosion when the heat barrier is crashed?" And Colonel Caldwell replied: "The only noise probably comes from the pilot himself yelling in apprehension."

Ideal site

THE heat, or thermal, barrier, the last frontier, defies definition, but the officers and men at this base are penetrating it more and more deeply each day. Led by Colonel Everest, they are conquering the upper space. This base is ideally suited to launch the invasion of the lonely sky and break down the heat barrier.

Lieut. Colonel Lloyd Garland took me out to the extraordinary dry lake which must be the world's biggest and best landing field—55 smooth square miles dead level and rock-hard. We got out of the car and I examined the ground or bed of the desert-dry lake. It is a form of clay, better than any concrete or macadam. The heaviest aircraft in the world, the Coldest aircraft in the world, could hover down it. Three hundred, and sixty out of 365 days a year are ideal for flying here at Muroc, in the heart of the desert, but on the other hand, rain comes, and by some miracle that is the only weather "forecast" or renovation that this huge natural airfield requires.

The rains put a coating—a sort of glass or lacquer—on the lake bed, preventing cracking or holes and preserving the ideal landing surface.

aircraft involved, but an estimate of the damage that would have been done had the lake not been available for emergency landings. Of course, we can't reckon the value of lives saved.

Despite the hazards of super-sonic flying, fatalities at Edwards average only two a year—the base was named after Captain Glen Edwards, killed here in 1949—but there are many narrow escapes, forced landings, fires, explosions, and near-misses.

There is every facility here for testing planes—24 aeroplane manufacturers, four Government agencies, and the three branches of the Services are all represented.

Fifty percent of the work consists of test flights. Ninety-five percent is devoted to developing and perfecting the descendants of the experimental planes.

Muroc is never still. While I have been here plane after plane has been taking off. Firemen in asbestos suits stand by in their trucks, pilots stroll across the tarmac swinging their helmets, climb into their jets, and roar away.

A whole fleet of mother ships is always lined up, and because of the ideal weather it is not necessary to house them in the hangars.

The great mission of Muroc is to try out in practice what the scientists and engineers have worked out on their charts and laboratory benches in theory.

One engineer told me: "There is an inevitable disparity between theory and fact, and, remember, machinery is fallible. We can calculate basic aerodynamics on the ground with considerable accuracy, but there is no engineer alive who can

predict exactly how a plane's controls are going to react at all speeds and in all kinds of manoeuvres and at tremendous altitudes.

"We can design plane parts and accessories which seem foolproof on the ground, but the only way you can tell how they will operate in flight is to try them out, and that's where the test pilots come in."

Family man

THE test pilot today is not a wild boy who roars into the "wild blue yonder" and lives it up at week-ends.

He is usually a quiet family man, aged between 25 and 35. Everest himself has three children, and most of the other test pilots are family men living quiet, sober lives in their little houses on the base.

Everest, as chief test pilot and boss of the 30-man test team here, receives only \$8,000 a year. Although his ancestor was Sir George Everest, he regards himself as a West Virginian. His closest friend, first man to fly through the sound barrier, Major Charles (Chuck) Yeager, is also a West Virginian.

I am told here that the main qualification for a test pilot is an unusual combination of aptitude and temperament—a unique knack for handling aircraft and an ardent scientific curiosity that extends to risk-taking but not recklessness. In those two years, Virus C seems to have made amazing progress.

Peter Everest himself has piloted 110 different kinds of planes in 13 years of flying. He is not frightened to talk about accidents. "We've lots of accidents; most of them forced landings that the pilots walk away from."

"It's better to have them here than later on in the game. We've got the facilities for it."

Some of the pilots are not particularly eloquent about the last horizon. They seem to think little of super-sonic speed. Major Yeager says: "The main way you can tell is that the plane has a slightly different feel as you approach the speed of sound. You feel this and you go past it and figure you must be through sound speed."

Major Murray is more graphic. He has written: "I am part of a team of explorers punching their way higher and higher above the deco blanket of air surrounding the earth. Up into the last frontier in the silent cold where the mercury hangs at 67 below zero Fahrenheit. (After the deep freeze comes the furnace-blast heat.)"

"I've developed a sat-cracker's feel for the delicate pressure controls. I am in free flight, in command now. I am heavy with fuel, but I pull smoothly away from the chase plane (chase planes always escort the rockets to guide them) in emergencies and detect flaws in the travelling like a bullet now, faster, faster... 70,000 ft. of sky under me. The controls feel sluggish. I move them cautiously with taut muscles."

"Outside I know that the air pressure is low enough to make my blood boil. Eighty thousand—still climbing—and here's the burn-out. My fuel is gone and inertia hurries me upward. At 83,035 ft. I pass the world altitude record, and now I am closer to the moon than man has ever been before. I begin to feel weightless and I am flying so fast that my instruments cannot keep up."

Falling upward

"SUDDENLY the rocket ship yaws, hard left, pitches, rolls. I need all the muscular co-ordination I can command at this moment as I plunge into the controllability envelope... a wing drops and then it comes. I sp... wildly, super-sonically out of control. I am falling upward, tumbling crazily across the sky at more than 1,400 miles an hour.

"Earth and sky whirl in a blur as the deadly shock-waves hammer my rocket ship with unleashed fury... I hang on and ride it out until finally, I sink back into heavier air down near 70,000."

Colonel Everest does not talk or write like that. His great predecessor, Bill Bridgman, one of America's foremost experimental test pilots, who flew the

javelin-shaped skyrocket, however, has the vivid touch like Major Murray.

Bridgman says: "Eighty thousand feet. It is intensely bright outside; the contrast of the dark shadows of the cockpit is extreme and strange. It is so dark lower in the cockpit that I cannot read the instruments sunk low on the panel. The dials on top in the light are vividly apparent. There seems to be no reflection. It is all black or white, apparent or non-apparent. No half-tones. It's a pure, immaculate world here. She levels off silently. I roll to the right and there it is. Out of the tiny window slits there is the earth wiped clean of civilisation, a vast relief map with paper mache mountains and mirrored lakes and seas... it is as if I am the only living thing connected to this totally strange, uninhabited planet 15 miles below me."

"The plane that carries me and I are one and alone." As for Colonel Everest, he just says: "It is flying—different, challenging, strange, perhaps, but still flying."

ON MONDAY
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Towards Its Goal

Microbes Gaining On Men

By DAVID DEVONPORT

IN the war between man and the microbe, the microbe may be registering alarming gains.

In New Zealand, nine new-born babies have died from a strange kind of pneumonia. From other parts of the world, there are reports that a similar disease is on the rampage. In Britain, a strange kind of flu has been sweeping the country for several weeks.

Both these outbreaks seem to have one thing in common: they have not been mastered by any of the immediately available antibiotics.

The British flu is not serious—it has been nicknamed the "cold-like flu"—because it causes only minor things, such as runny noses and sore throats. But it is interesting because the doctors think it is caused by a strain of influenza virus known as "Virus C".

Just two years ago, Dr F. M. Burnett in his book, "Virus and Man," wrote: "At the present time work is going on with another virus which probably falls close to influenza viruses A and B... This may soon be known as Virus C. It is certainly of no great importance in comparison with influenza A and B and will not be mentioned again."

In those two years, Virus C seems to have made amazing progress.

The reasons are not hard to find. In two days, the microbe has an edge on man. In the first place, there are, no doubt, many strains of bacteria and viruses which are kept under control in the struggle for life in tougher and better suited breeds which we often know as dangerous diseases.

If that were all, it would probably only be a matter of time before modern antibiotics gave us mastery over the microbe.

Unfortunately, that is not all. The microbe can go through millions of generations for man's one. With every generation, there is a chance of a mutation—a structural change which results in a slightly different type.

Since the microbe is an extremely simple organism, it is likely to find that these changes make little difference to its ordinary chances of life. They are not in the position of complex organisms like man. A very slight structural change may mean that life is impossible.

The changes in the microbes may make them immune to attack from antibiotics. The result is that for every new antibiotic man discovers, the microbes may be able to evolve more dangerous strains.

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Clever Playing Ties Up Foe

By OSWALD JACOBY

THERE isn't a good name in English for the end position in today's hand. Some experts call it by the French name "en passant" borrowed from chess, since South made his trump in passing. Whatever name is used, the play is very fine.

West opened the king of diamonds, and declarer won in dummy with the ace. At first glance South was very happy with his contract, although he had had misgivings during the bidding. The complications appeared later.

At the second trick declarer led a trump from the dummy and won with the king in his own hand. He got back to dummy with the ace of hearts to lead another spade, and this time won with the queen of spades in his own hand. West's diamond discard was a disappointment.

South next led a club and finessed dummy's jack. East won with the queen of clubs.

NORTH (D) 13			
♠ 874			
♥ A95			
♦ A54			
♣ KJ107			
EAST			
♠ 6			
♥ 1073			
♦ KQJ1073			
♣ 863			
SOUTH			
♠ KQJ53			
♥ KJ82			
♦ 8			
♣ 42			
North-South vul.			
North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	1♥	2♦
2♠	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♠	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♠	Pass	4♥	Pass
(Opening lead—♦ K)			

and returned a diamond to make South ruff. South led another club to knock out the ace, and East returned another diamond to make South ruff again.

Now South was down to the black jack of spades, and East still had the ace-ten. How was South to avoid the loss of two trump tricks?

The only way was to cash all the side tricks and lead from dummy at the twelfth trick. Hence South cashed the king and queen of hearts, followed by the king of clubs.

East had to follow suit to all of these plays, after which he was left with his two trumps. When dummy now led the last club, there was no way for East to shut out declarer's jack of spades. East could make only the ace of trumps, and South fulfilled his contract.

CHARD Sense

Q—The bidding has been:
North: 1♥ East: 1♠ South: 2♥ West: 2♠
What do you do?

A—Bid two spades. This bid does not show a hand with which you hope to reach game, but merely a hand that will play better at spades than at no-trump.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
♠ A Q 9 8 2 ♥ Q 7 6 5 ♦ K 10 2 ♣ A 2
What do you do?
Answer Tomorrow

BY THE WAY

By Beachcomber

IT must be three or four years since the San Diego laboratories announced that they had discovered a chemical formula for making Claret and burgundy without any of the trouble of growing grapes.

They claimed that they could produce, in a matter of hours, a fully matured wine which would deceive even the connoisseurs. And now, trailing behind Snibbo, comes progressive America! The Chicago Tribune announces the discovery of 13 chemical substances which, when blended, will make wine. At first they will probably make an ordinary wine. Then later, I suppose, a conception which will be mistaken for Haut Brion of 1924.

Gracious living

VINIFICATION is convinced that the slow business of vine-tending, grape-gathering, and all the technicalities of making the wine do not fit into the rhythm of the jet-age. It is reckoned by industrial statisticians that in countries where wine is made by the old processes, many millions of man-hours are wasted every month. Every hour 1,000 tons of creamy Chateau Brubio come off the conveyor belt. A new Snibbo liquor is promised for next year. It is described as a super-vibrant, non-alcoholic, sparkling brandy. Soon, in every bar, you will hear barmen saying: "No need to ask what your order is. Sir George A. double Snibbrand, of course." That's right, Henderson, and put a good top on it.

A 1 at Cruft's

The dog computer his mistress by turning rhythmic, while she plays the piano.

(News Item)

AS I have so often said at dog-concerts, his Bach is worse than his bite. When I was an engine-room artificer in H.M.S. Inimitable, we had a dog who played the harp with his nose at ship's concert. Visitors suspected that we had trained him by making him stand on hot bricks, and asked why we could not employ a human being, who would perform far better. We said it was meant to be a comic turn later, we told the dog to an old nightwatchman in Barkley Creek. "He'll get no more harp-playing," said the old man, not unreasonably.

For your anthology

Time's vast abstraction's innocent
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Kiss, how should mortals find
sublime
Their own pale images of Time?

(Mrs H. Webster)

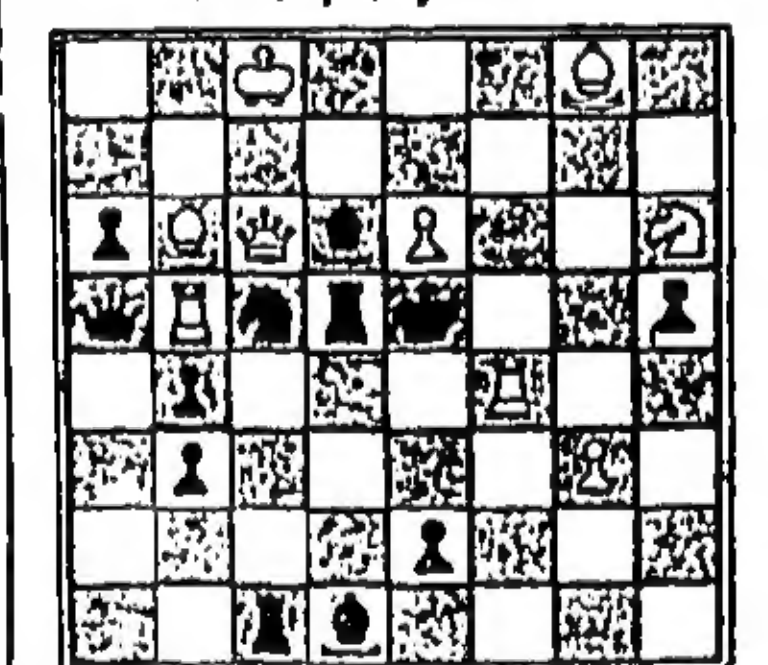
TARGET

HOW many words of four letters can you make from the letters in the square on the right? You must use each letter in the square exactly once. The letters in each of the squares may be used over and over. Each word must contain the large letter in the centre square, and there must be at least one five-letter word in the list. No plurals, no foreign words, no proper names. TODAY'S TARGET: 24 words, good; 30 words, very good; 35 words, excellent. Solutions tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.—Answer: 24 words, good; 30 words, very good; 35 words, excellent. Solutions tomorrow.

CHES PROBLEM

By E. J. FNLAK
Black, 12 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.
White to play: mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt—Kt5, any; 2. Q, or Kt mates.

This Funny World



"Remember, dear—just leave it outside. Don't take it to the office again."

YOUR BIRTHDAY... BY STELLA

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

BORN today, you have exceptional versatility and can turn your hand with equal skill to a number of things. Science and arts are apt to be your happiest mediums of expression, but you can do almost anything that is demanded of you. For this reason, alone, you will never lack for the material goods of this world and whether you explicitly go out after it or not, you probably will achieve wealth well before middle age.

You have a vivid imagination as well as the ability to express your ideas with dramatic portent. Although you may not appear to be doing so, almost everything you write has a "message" wrapped up in bright colours. You are interested in mysticism and the occult.

Originality of idea is your middle name and you are so independent, intellectually, that you ignore, tests

and actually resent criticism. As far as you are concerned, conversations are just something to ignore and get as far away from as possible. You are inclined to get so thoroughly involved with your career and professional life that you have little time or interest left for love and romance. It is very possible that unless you marry at a very early age, you may never wed at all.

Among those born on this date are: George Santayana, philosopher; Noel Coward, dramatist; Jane Austen, author; John Lawrence Smith and Abbot Lawrence, scientists; John F. Gilmke, jurist; Lillian Russell, actress; George Whitehead, evangelist.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—This is the day when all chores around the house should be started, bright and early. Then you can play.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Your ideas should be put to work for you if you don't know how to do it. You must learn to partner with people.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Courage and patience are the winning attributes in handling today's problems. Don't let the neighbours kick you.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—The tactless remark you let out impulsively and without thinking could hurt someone very badly. Just be careful what you say.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—You must be very self-control today if you are to reap the harvest. Take the initiative, bring on it.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 20)—This is a good time to take care of your wardrobe. See that all your clothes, even if not new, are cleaned and pressed.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)—You could find yourself right in the middle of an interesting romance. An unexpected meeting may play an important part.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—If you will just take time out to think something through, you will discover it's an easily solved problem, after all.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Have a happy and pleasant stay-at-home day and you will discover all over again how much fun the day can be.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—If buying supplies for the house, be sure that you get first quality.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—The old budget may need pruning. Go over it with members of your family, let them all help.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Be frank in any problem and you will find it pays better in the long run. Being nervous about things never does any good.

CROSSWORD

Across

1. Capability for change. (11)
2. Crocodile is noted for this. (5)
3. Doubling time. (10)
4. Wetter than this. (10)
5. Change suit for an island. (4)
6. I use cut n' run. (10)
7. He saps. (6)
8. It will with us soon in the holiday. (10)
9. Plainly spoken. (10)
10. Confine. (8)
11. It may describe a day. (6)
12. It will with us soon in the holiday. (10)
13. He gets a portion. (10)
14. It has attraction on the face value. (8)

Down

1. A quality men behaved this way. (10)
2. A white (snack). (8)
3. It gave a line to bygone. (10)
4. I like. (6)
5. It will with us soon in the holiday. (10)
6. Plainly spoken. (10)
7. He gets a portion. (10)
8. It has attraction on the face value. (8)

Transversal solution

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Unhappy Little Brave

— Knarf Tries To Convince Hiawatha He's Really Lucky —

By MAX TRELL

"I WISH I were a real Indian boy instead of just a wooden Indian boy," Hiawatha the Wooden Indian was saying to Knarf, the shadow.

Knarf looked at the little wooden Indian boy for several moments before he said: "I think, Hiaw, you ought to be glad you're a wooden boy instead of a real boy."

"I don't see why you say that," replied Hiawatha.

"Well," said Knarf, "wooden boys don't have to bother dressing and undressing."

He Wouldn't Mind

"I wouldn't mind that," said Hiawatha.

"And wooden boys," continued Knarf, "don't have to brush their teeth or comb their hair or wash their necks and ears."

"Those things aren't so bad," said Hiawatha. "Are they?"

"Some boys don't like them," said Knarf. "And wooden boys don't have to eat."

"No," said Hiawatha, and his voice sounded a little sorrowful. "I don't have to eat at all. I'm made of wood inside and out."

"There, that's what I meant!" said Knarf. "You don't have to bother eating at all. Just think of all the time you save."

"Yes," said Hiawatha, and his voice sounded more sorrowful than ever. "But just think of all the good things I miss eating."

"What things?" asked Knarf.

Apple Pie

"Apple pie," said Hiawatha. "Do you think I'd like apple pie?"

"I don't think so," said Knarf. "You wouldn't like apple pie unless you liked apples. Do you like apples?"

"I don't know," said Hiawatha. "I never tried any."

"You wouldn't like cherry pie either," said Knarf. "Cherries are too sour. You wouldn't like peach pie. Peaches are too sweet. I don't think you'd like any kind of pie."

But Hiawatha, the Wooden Indian boy, didn't sound any too convinced at how fortunate it was that he didn't have to eat such things as pie.

"You wouldn't like potatoes," said Knarf. "You wouldn't like spinach or string beans. You wouldn't like soup."

"Maybe not," agreed Hiawatha. "But I wish I could eat the things that my grandfather used to eat. My grandfather was an Indian Chief," he added.

"What did your grandfather, the Indian Chief, used to eat?" Knarf asked Hiawatha.

"He ate buffaloes," said Hiawatha, proudly.

"Oh," said Knarf, in a voice that showed how much he was impressed by what Hiawatha had just told him; "that's different. It really is a shame not to be able to eat like a regular Indian. How did your grandfather, the Indian Chief, catch the buffaloes?"

Hiawatha said that his grandfather had told him that he had hunted for buffaloes on the great western plains. "There were big herds of them—hundreds and hundreds of buffaloes. My grandfather and all his Braves used to hunt them with bow and arrow."

"Then," Hiawatha continued, "they would build a roaring fire

"I'd like to meet that boy," said Knarf. "The only place you can find him, Hiawatha, is in a story book."

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WOMANSENSE



Pretty enough for the gayest Christmas cocktail party, Simone's hand-crocheted beret recalls the Swan Lake ballet. In palest aquamarine blue, it is trimmed with iridescent "leaves."

(London Express Service)

PATTERNED CARPETS MAKING A COMEBACK

New York. dimensionally textured on the floor. The new cottons and synthetics look well to bold colours, and the colour range in wool grew by leaps and bounds.

Now, the stress is on pattern, but there are quiet designs for the conservative. For the more daring, some carpets have a neutral background but one bold shock of colour inserted to underscore a coffee table or grouping of chairs. Some designers now combine American-made reproductions of oriental carpets with modern furniture. Even designs reminiscent of the Victorian era are back, big red roses and all.

The Institute said there is another good reason for the return to patterned underfoot—a pattern or strong texture conceals signs of traffic. — United Press.

The Institute said the first signs of the return to pattern came with tweed and three-

It's Time To Put Your Kitchen In Order

By ELEANOR ROSS

ONE sure way to add to the confusion, and to prevent you and the family from enjoying the holiday, is to leave until the last minute the task of putting the kitchen and its equipment to rights.

Now is the time, and high time it is, to get every bit of equipment in order, and to go over all utensils, china, glass and silver. Discard the obsolete, and put aside pieces that can be repaired either professionally or at home. The last-minute putting-up of the kitchen—since it is becoming more and more popular as a snackery—can come later. Now is the time to get after stove and refrigerator, and cooking and serving equipment.

That range, be it gas or electric, won't give the best results, however fine the ingredients, however great your skill as a cook, if it isn't in first-class working condition. Elements that are almost burned out or that have become dull should be removed. Gas burners should be renewed if they are worn out. Sometimes all that a sluggish gas burner needs is a really good unclogging of its vents.

Get after every other bit of equipment likely to be in use during the holidays, and see that it is in perfect condition. Buy those items, either gadgets or basic utensils, that you have been meaning to get for some time. If you really need them, now is the time to stock up. Last-minute purchases, unless of basic, always-in-stock items are apt to be disastrous.

Along with the range, the refrigerator should be checked and any necessary repairs made at once. It's a good time, also, to invest in one of those self-defrosting units, since frost can keep a refrigerator from functioning normally. When frost is quarter-inch thick, it's time to defrost, but we don't always get at the task then.

We remember a friend who just couldn't understand why her cakes began turning out poorly. After eliminating all the possible causes for failure someone suggested that the stove be checked. Nothing was wrong with it, mechanically. But when she discovered that the inside walls of the oven were covered with a

Sudden and extreme changes of temperature may cause metal cooking utensils to warp. Don't run cold water into a hot pan, nor pour hot water into a vessel that's been chilled.

Household Hints

A layer of travel on the top of your window boxes will prevent the rain from splattering your windows with dirt.



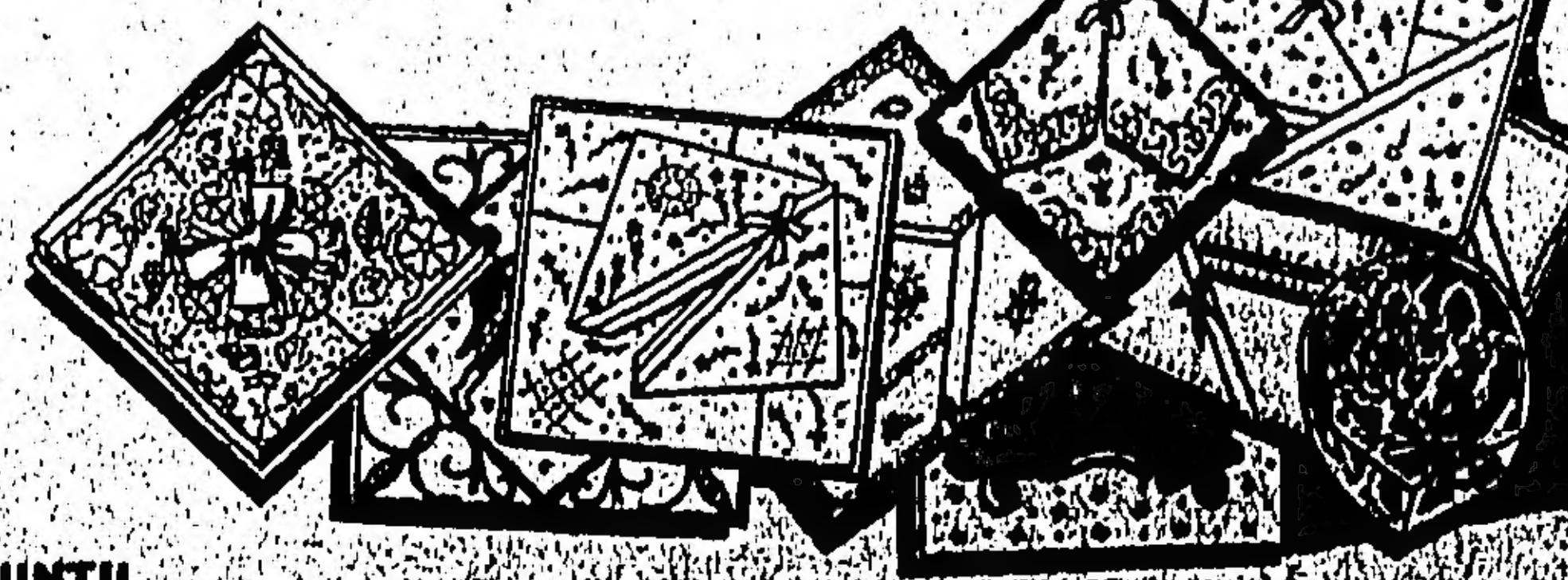
Ho! Ho! Ho! What a SHOW! HANKIES THE ANSWER TO YOUR GIFT PROBLEMS

Whiteaways stocks of handkerchiefs are full of novelties that will catch your eye, either loose or in boxes there is a wealth of ideas and design. Some of the handkerchiefs from Switzerland deserve special mention, particularly the lace trimmed and those with beautiful embroidery. Whiteaways handkerchiefs are full of glamour and appeal. You should see them to-morrow.

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Geoffrey tries to answer the dwarf. "All I know is that he came ashore on a great turtle," he says. "How he did it I can't imagine. But he brought a diving suit. Would you like me to show you where it is?" They hurry away while the old man looks on.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB THIRD RACE MEETING

Saturday, 10th & Sunday, 17th December, 1955.

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)
THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 16 RACES.
The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race
on at 2.00 p.m. on both days.
The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45
a.m. on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.
All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed
throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable
through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of
a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors intro-
duced by him.

Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in
advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72811).

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises
during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under
the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable
at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the
requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the
RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employer's boxes except for
passing through on their duties. They may on no account use
the Betting Booths in the Members' Enclosure.

CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$16.00 each for the second day
may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building,
(Chater Road), and 5, D'Aguiar Street during normal office hours
and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 4,000 may be
reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets
will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the
Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a
particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the
number reserved in the series 1 to 4,000.

In the case of two-day Race Meetings, Through Tickets may
be purchased for each day of the Meeting provided that the second
day is on a date not less than five days after the first day. In
all other cases Through Tickets will only be sold for the whole
Meeting.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m.
on Friday, 9th December, will be sold and the reservation
cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 4,000 will also be issued consecutively but
particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on
the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket
bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced
by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription
also the right to remove any name from subscription lists without
stating reasons for their action.

Cash Sweep Tickets on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00
each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's
Building (Chater Road), 5, D'Aguiar Street and 382, Nathan Road
during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on both days of
the Meeting.

SPECIAL CASH SWEEP

Tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Pearce Memorial
Cup scheduled to be run on 4th February 1956, at \$2.00 each, may
be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office.

TOTALISATOR

Buckers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets
until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

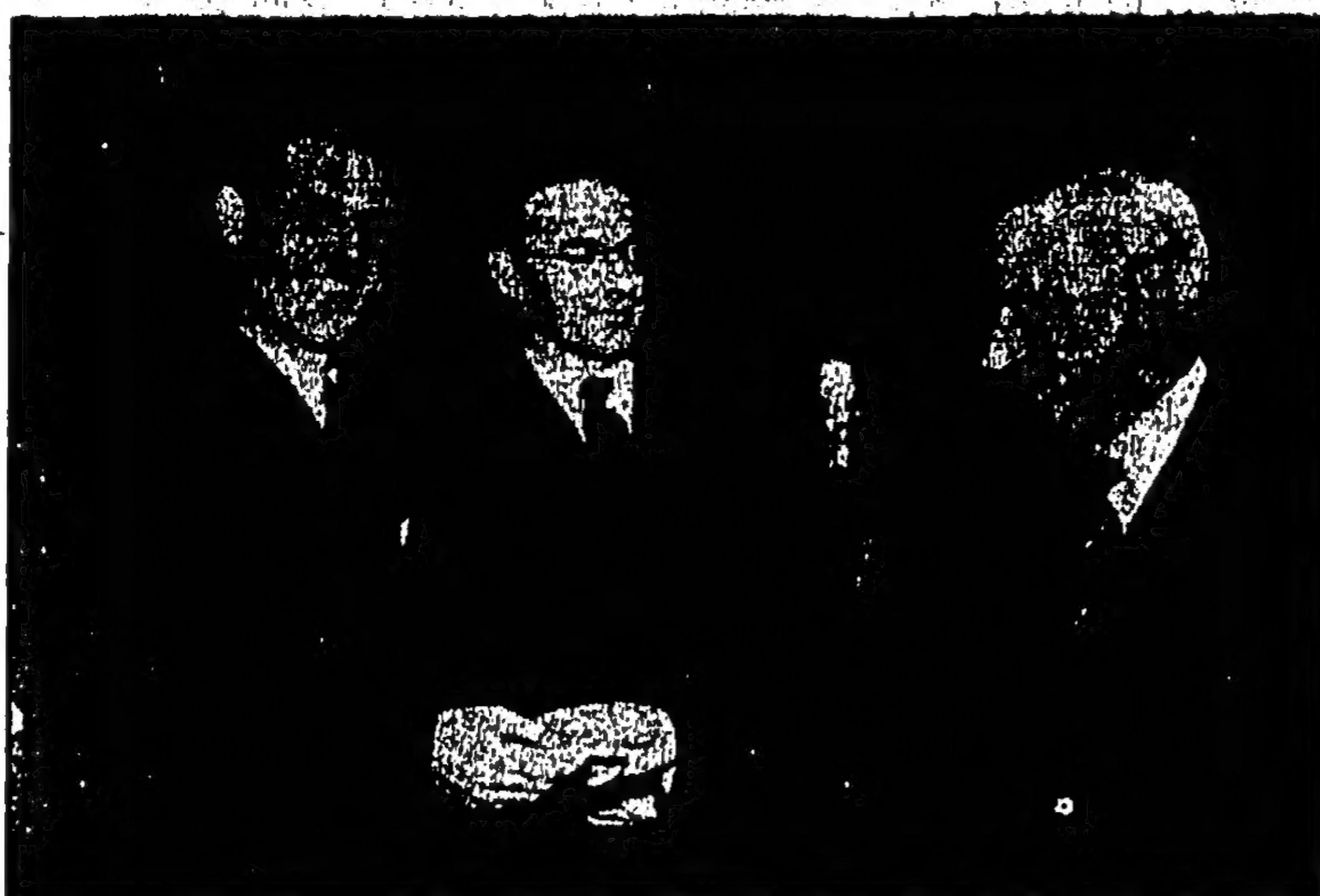
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MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE
ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN
ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE
OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR
DISPUGNED TICKETS.

Bookmakers, Tipsters, etc., will not be permitted to operate
within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

FOR SERVICES RENDERED AT TENNIS



British tennis stars Tony Mottram (left) and Geoff Paish receive from
Lord Templewood, President of the Lawn Tennis Association, a presentation in
recognition of services they have rendered to British Lawn Tennis.

The presentation preceded the Association's Annual Meeting at the Wal-
dorf Hotel, Aldwych, London, on December 8. Before turning professional in
October Mottram had represented Britain in 56 Davis Cup matches — more
than any other player in history.—Reuterphoto.

THE JIMMY DIMMOCK STORY

My Pay Cut Was Banked And Bonus Too

As told by JIMMY DIMMOCK to JACK WOOD

Jimmy Dimmock signed professional forms for Tottenham Hotspur
in August 1919. Clapton Orient were anxious to sign him, and he wanted
to sign for them.

"Orient, my club during the war, approached me, and I promised to
think it over, says Jimmy.

"The next night Mr Peter McWilliam, manager of Spurs, came round to our
house and told me that he wanted me to sign for his club. I told him I wanted
to join the Orient.

"He pointed out that, as a
boy of 14, I had signed as an
amateur for Spurs, and that if
I did not honour that signing I
would never be allowed to play
for any other club.

"There were special regula-
tions which operated during the
war which gave clubs first claim
on all players who were on their
books in 1914.

"I went to Orient the next
day and told them what had
happened. They told me that
there was nothing they could
do, and wished me luck with
the Spurs.

"Like a little dog who has
lost his bone, I walked round
to the Spurs ground and tapped
at the manager's door. I was
greeted by Mr McWilliam
with: 'I've been waiting for you
to come. Put your signature on
the dotted line. Your wages will
be £8 a week in the winter
and £6 in the summer.'

At 19 Jimmy Dimmock was a
full-time footballer on top
wages. The money was good
and the life was a full one, and
with 74 points, he points clear
of their nearest challengers,
Huddersfield Town.

Dimmock, the left-wing star,
was also Dimmock the spender.
And, as Jack Elkes, his old
team-mate, has told, Dimmock
the "easy touch."

His pals were still the pals
of his school days. If some of
them had not done as well as
he, then surely, Jimmy reason-
ed, it was his duty to help them.
"I used to find two or three
of the boys waiting for me on
pay days. When you've known
them all your life, and had as
much fun with them, you can't
see them short of a bob or two."

Clothes, too, were an attrac-
tion, and soon he had a fine
wardrobe of hand-tailored suits,
silk shirts, and expensive shoes.
Away from football he liked
nothing better than to sit in the
lounge of North London and enjoy
life with his own folk.

Manager McWilliam, a Scot
who had won eight caps in a
long and distinguished career
with Newcastle United, saw that
success had brought with it its
problems in the case of "The
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"One day before the 1920-21
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and I could look after it all
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ARTHUR GRIMDELL
A wonderful Spurs captain

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"He told me firmly that from
that moment I would be allowed
to draw only £8 a week of
my £8 wage. And any bonuses
I earned would go into the
bank with my other two pounds.
I don't think he had ever heard
of the Truck Acts which make
such things illegal, but then,
neither had I."

That was the way it was with
Dimmock and his money until
Peter McWilliam left to become
manager of Middlesbrough in
1920, and that was why Jimmy
Dimmock, the spendthrift, left
Spurs with a small fortune.

Slipper of the Spurs in the
great days was Arthur Grim-
dell, a stern man both on and
off the field, but a man who,
Dimmock admits, had a lot to
do with his development.

"We never got on really
well," says Dimmock of Grim-
dell, now a successful Watford
business man. "He was a remote
sort of fellow and did not ap-
prove of me and the others who
liked our bit of life."

"But on the field he was a
wonderful captain. You used to
feel that you could not do any-
thing but your best, and the
pass he used to roll out my
way were always perfect."

"My best pals were Jimmy
Seed and Tommy Clay. What a
marvellous fellow that Jimmy
was. He could master anything,
from playing the piano to draw-
ing wonderful little caricatures
of us players."

"Soon after we met he saw
me, one day, struggling to write
my autobiography in a youngster's
book. In a very nice way—you
could never take offence at
Jimmy—he asked to see the
autograph."

I STUDIED

It seems that Dimmock, the
new star, was not prepared for
his part in the autobiography
that lay ahead. Jimmy Seed set
out to help him.

"We used to sit in the pub
after training and we would
practise writing Jimmy Dim-
mock together. He taught me
to put a squiggle on the end,
and at night I would practise
writing in the Jimmy Seed way."

"The next year we won the
F.A. Cup. I got the only goal
against Wolves at Stamford
Bridge and the Spurs support-
ers went crazy."

NEXT FRIDAY: That Cup-
winning goal, and what hap-
pened afterwards.

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Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

The second half of the Hongkong Jockey Club's Third Race Meeting of the
1955/56 season is scheduled for this coming Saturday and will feature the Hongkong
St. Leger for 1955 Subscription Grifflins over 1½ Miles.

Seven other races for Classes 1, 3, 6, 8 and 9 ponies will also be included in
a programme of eight events. The first race will be run at 2 p.m.

Here are my estimates of the
chances:

FIRST RACE

Violet Day Handicap: From 1½
Miles Post.

The opening event tomorrow
is confined to Class 9 ponies
with novice jockeys as pilots. A
perusal of the entries would
seem to indicate that Calamity
(A. Travers), Ben Lawers
(Enfield), Congratulation (Al-
bert Lam) and Queenpots
(Hulse) are the ones to fight
out the issue in this race.

Calamity is my choice, and I
think it should win, but Ben
Lawers is not to be ignored as
this pony can move and the dis-
tance is more to its liking.

Congratulation is not bad over
this distance and should not be
disregarded. The same remark
applies to Queenpots.

SECOND RACE

Dragon's Back Handicap: Six
Furlongs.

The winner of this race should
come from among Kerrera (A.
Ostroumoff), Scrabble (P.
Plumbly), Blonnie (M. Samarcq)
and Thanksgiving Day (W.
Williamson).

Kerrera, which ran third in
the Barossa Handicap over
the mile at the last meeting,
will be ready for another try
and should give a good run for
your money.

Scrabble, which was officially
fourth in the above race, should
be near.

Blonnie can figure to provide
the upset over this distance,
and is a good outsider.

THIRD RACE

Stanley Day Handicap: 1½ Miles.

Winnoson Stags, H. K. Chuang
up, a great disappointment last
time out, should command most
support from the public. Be-
cause of its recent sharp train-
ing during morning gallops, it
must be rated as the pony most
likely to win this race.

Two ponies should provide
strong opposition—Apple Pie
(R. Tsai) and Sportsmanship
(H. H. Chan). The former is
rounding into winning form and
should be close while the latter
is also currently in good form.
Diamond Dahlia (K. Kwok) and
Circus (W. R. Holman) are in
better shape and should cause
some concern here.

FOURTH RACE

Hongkong St. Leger: 1½ Miles.

This one and three quarter
miles grueling test for 1955
Subscription Grifflins is the main
event of the afternoon and of
the seven entries at least five
are expected to accept.

They are Golden Branch (W.
K. Shieh), Helicon (R. Tsai),
Silver Wing (H. K. Chuang),
Snow-Damself (M. Samarcq) and
Violet Ray (P. Plumbly).

Favourite among the early
railbirds is Snow-Damself and
though it has raced but once
since the beginning of the
1955/56 season, a win for it is
not out of the question.

Silver Wing is in fine fettle at
the moment and should provide
the opposition here.

For the third position a good
fight should ensue between
Golden Branch and Helicon.

FIFTH RACE

Waterfall Day Handicap: From 1½
Miles Post.

This sprint event will be
contested by Class 6 ponies. In
view of its promotion from
Class 7 after winning the Pedder
Handicap over the mile at the
First Race Meeting, I still fancy
the chances of Flying Dutchman
(H. H. Chan) to win again.

Rebel II (A. Travers) will
carry 155 lbs., less 3 lbs.
allowance, to 152 lbs.

In view of the opposition it
may have a say here tomorrow
afternoon. Moonraker (H. K.
Hung) looks dangerous and Iron-
side (P. Plumbly) may yet spring
a surprise as this pony is un-
doubtedly good.

As an outsider I recommend
Emperor Delight (C. F. Ng).

SIXTH RACE

Moone Collinson Handicap: 1½
Miles.

Bonita (A. Ostroumoff) is
certainly the pony to watch in
this event, especially if you
remember how the combination
came from behind to take third
place over two-mile post in the
Kwungtung Handicap at the
last meeting, while New Jersey
(H. K. Hung), if it doesn't lay
behind at the start, should be
well in at the finish.

Other notable contenders for
honours are Babalo (E. S. Wong),
Fire-glo (K. Kwok), Gold
Crown (M. Samarcq) and Ben
Lomond (P. Plumbly).

SEVENTH RACE

West Bay Handicap: From 2 Miles
Post.

Class 6 ponies will battle out
the finish in this event. Tip
Top is up two classes for
winning the Barossa Handicap
over the mile at the Second
Race Meeting with C. H. Ren-
frew up. As it will be taken
out by M. Samarcq tomorrow,
it has little chance of repeat-
ing its previous success.

But it will have to be at its
best form to show off Souvenir's
challenge as this pony will again
have Albert Lam's experienced
handling.

Grape Beauty (C. F. Ng) may
can well be the third place in

the Carnoustie Handicap over
the Champion distance at the
last meeting. Over this distance
it is capable of extending Tip
Top and Souvenir.

As an outsider keep Tell-me-
more (R. Tsai) in mind.

EIGHTH RACE

Sandy Bay Handicap: Six Furlongs.

This is the final event of the
meeting and among the ponies
entered, Mascot (C. H. Ren-
frew), Corvettie (P. Plumbly),
Seafire (K. Kwok) and Beau-
tiful Lie (R. Tsai) are un-
doubtedly the best.

Mascot is probably a little
better, if we are only to judge
by its run over the mile at the
First Race Meeting for Ponies of
1955. Class A, when it was
beaten into second position by
Golden Branch after leading
most of the way.

Corvettie must be borne in mind
as the pony is improving during
morning gallops. The distance
also favours Seafire, but I doubt
if it can do better than place.

Beautiful Lie is also good
over this distance and if given
a good start should be near at
the finish.

BOXING SMOKER

Airmen Were Clear Victors Over Sailors By 15 Points To Nine

By Our Boxing Reporter

The Missions to Seamen staged another Boxing
Smoker last night and maintained its well established
reputation for surprises, although on this occasion it was
not in the manner of the usual thrills, but in a most dis-
appointing ending to an otherwise entertaining evening.

The match was one between a Royal Navy team and
one from the Royal Air Force Station at Little Sai Wan.
Before explaining the upset that climaxed the show let me
say that the Airmen were clear victors over the Sailors
by 15 points to 9.

Many of the spectators went
along to the Missions to see the
first comeback fight of "Nobby"
Finch the 1955 Colony Middle-
weight Champion. In this they
were sadly disappointed.

Finch was listed to appear in
the last bout of the evening
against LAC O'Connell but
when he stepped into the ring
it was noticed that he had a
civilian trainer and was clad in
the colours of a local boxing
club and not in the official Royal
Navy garb.

Referee Jack Shepherd went
immediately to Finch's corner
and after some quick discussion
Finch left the ring. The bout
with O'Connell was cancelled.
It was learned later that Finch
had refused to take part in his
bout in accordance with the
rules governing the promotion.
It is believed that more may be
heard of the whole incident.

SPORTING ACTION

In order that the crowd
should not be too disappointed
Gnr McMenamy—who beat Gnr.
Dimming, Southeast Asia gold
medallist, the night previous—
stepped in and boxed a three
round exhibition with
O'Connell. His sporting action
and the expeditious and
admirable handling of the
whole, unfortunate incident by
Jack Shepherd did a lot to re-
store the situation.

Generally the boxing was a
little disappointing and the
showers of a week ago were
not quite repeated. Neverthe-
less there were some hard
gruelling fights and the boxers
took a lot of credit from their
showings.

The most exciting opening of
the evening was in the seventh
bout when the bell sent SAC
Anderson-Dixon and Sig Corn-
well into action like a couple
of untried tigers.

The boys kept it up, with only
occasional breathers, until the
end and although Cornwell was
down several times he persisted
in coming right back to the at-
tack without being able, however,
to overhail his opponent's lead.

... but gamer loses a few
and far between.

The bout between Cpl Roberts
and AB Nash provided plenty of
discussion among the crowd.
Roberts was warned on several
occasions for hitting on the
back of the neck but it looked
very much as though Nash's
habit of ducking low in getting
away from an attack, was the
predisposing factor.

Referee Shepherd rightly
warned Roberts but at the same
time he admonished Nash for
causing the blows to land on

an off-the-target area. Roberts
was a narrow winner on
points.

The Lightweight class, be-
tween SAC Fink and A. B.
George was just about the liveli-
est contest of the evening in
which blows were actually
being scientifically aimed at the
target. Both boys showed spirit,
and skill above the ordinary,
and their frequent bouts of
fast accurate punching soon
had the crowd forgetting all
about the "Nobby" Fink's
betrayal, punching inside just
earned him the verdict.

THE RESULTS
The full list of results is as
follows (RAF first).

LAC Duff beat E.M. Osborne
on points.

LAC Glasgow lost to AB Bond
on points.

Cpl Dawson beat L.M.(E).
Triller on points.

LAC Duval beat L.S. Rother
on points.

SAC Nevill beat E.M. Suther-
land on points.

SAC Anderson-Dixon beat
Sig Cornwell on points.

Cpl Roberts beat AB Nash on
points.

SAC Fink beat AB George
on points.

In a Special Contest Gnr
McMenamy (74 LAA Regt RA)
outclassed LAC Lamb to win on
a TKO in the second round.
Lamb was no match for the
fiery Gunner and was on the
boards several times before the
referee called a halt a split
second before the gun went for
the end of the second round.

Nashua Is Sold
For Over 1½
Million Dollars

New York, Dec. 15.

Nashua, the Champion three-
year-old race horse, was sold
today for \$1,251,200 to Leslie
Combs of Spendthrift Farm,
Lexington, Kentucky.

The announcement was made
by the executors of the estate
of the late Mr. William Wood-
ward, Junior, owner of the
famous Belair stud-racing stable,
which has been dissolved.

Eleven bids were received
for Nashua, this year's Cham-
pion three-year-old horse, five
of them exceeding \$1,000,000.
The total realized for all 62
horses involved in the Belair
sale was \$1,866,200.

There was no immediate an-
nouncement from Mr. Combs
as to whether Nashua would
race again. Nashua's last race
was at Belmont Park on Octo-
ber 15, when he won the Jockey
Club Gold Cup.

In two years of racing Nashua
won a total of \$945,145 and
stands second only in money
winning to Citation, who earned
a total of \$1,085,700 throughout
his career.

Nashua, colicked Citation's
record for earnings in a single
year: when he accumulated
\$782,850; in winning virtually
all the classics for three-year-
olds.

Big Soccer News—Spain Wants A Return Match In Madrid

By ARCHIE QUICK

The big news arising from the England-Spain International at Wembley is that the Spaniards want a return match in Madrid. The Secretary of their Football Association proposed a date next May but that is impossible as England have touring commitments in Germany and Scandinavia. It is likely, however, that Spain will be put down as possible opponents in May, 1957.

That England won at Wembley 4-1 was because the players adhered to coach Walter Winterbottom's instructions on defence. With Billy Wright as the king pin around which the entire scheme evolved the home halfbacks and the inside forwards, too, shuffled back on their goal.

When, however, danger threatened, which was often, it was negative football, but it baulked the visitors. England relied on her goal-making from breakaways in the old Arsenal fashion, catching the Spaniards wrong foot, as they ended their attacks.

Each of the England goals came in this style following periods of desperate defence. Of course everything depended on the skill and experience of Wright and he rose to the occasion brilliantly. In fact, one of the features of the game was the manner in which Ronny Clayton, Jimmy Dickinson, Roger Byrne and Jeff Hall followed his instructions with dog-like devotion. He was like a hen with a brood of chicks. Often the experienced Dickinson was at his beck and call for covering.

A BLACK EYE

Wright, who turned up at the after-the-match banquet with a black eye told me that Mr. Winterbottom had given the team specific instructions and they had been faithfully carried out to the letter in the six practice matches the team had had and in the game against Spain itself. It is the feeling of goals and victory which mattered then all that can be said is "well done" but if it is good football you would think it is not the way to get it. I shudder to think what would have happened if Wright had been off form. But then he never is.

I would say, however, that in the first quarter of an hour, during which they scored two goals in a minute, the England team moved better than any of our international sides for years. The goals were brilliant and the team worked perfectly. Why then did they suddenly remember instructions and go back on defence? If they had gone on as they started they would have reached double figures.

Are the Portsmouth Football Club faces red? For John Atyeo and Johnny Haynes, England's two inside-forwards against Spain at Wembley, were two minnows who slipped through the Portsmouth net and have become international whales. The Hampshire club could have had them for the £10 signing-on fee apiece, but now it would

cost them more than £240,000, and the two stars are only in their early twenties. Atyeo is a chartered accountant at Westminster, and in the Wiltshire town Pompey's famous old-time centre-forward Billy ("Farmer's Boy") Halnes, keeps a public house. He is also Chairman of the Portsmouth Supporters' Club, and, principally through his agency, Atyeo signed amateur forms for the Fratton Park club.

Let the Chairman of Bristol City take up the story. "I travelled late one night to Warrminster to try and sign him as a professional. While we were talking a Portsmouth representative knocked at the door. It was a summer and John's amateur form had expired. He at once said he would come to us, and the Portsmouth man went away disappointed. Atyeo is the chief reason why we won promotion to Division Two. I am sorry he and Bristol Rivers' Geoff Bradford should be immediate rivals for the England position, but I sincerely think Atyeo is the better man."

PERSONAL STORY

As for Haynes that is my personal story. A friend of mine is a friend of his father, and directly after Johnny had scored such a success in the England-Scotland Schoolboys' International at Wembley several years ago, my friend came to me and said Haynes senior would like guidance on Johnny's professional future.

As a Portsmouth man I suggested he would be happy at Fratton Park, and it was agreed that his father and my friend should go there, watch a League match, and discuss the matter with the Directors. Two tickets for them were to be left on the entrance gate. They were; but they were two unreserved seats on the wing of a stand. The crowd was big, and the pair had to stand without obtaining access to the Directors. Disappointed at their treatment they went away—and Portsmouth lost a star.

Haynes, an Edmonstone (North London) boy did not want to throw in his lot with Spurs, as so many Edmonstone lads have done, so he went with his pal, winger Chamberlain who was in the Edmonstone Schools team with him, and became office boy with Fulham.

Today Haynes stands as England's hope as key constructive forward for years to come; Atyeo looks to be his perfect foil as the dazzling maverick-up of goals. While Portsmouth are admirably served in all positions—except inside-forward!

"They never come back" is the oldest axiom in boxing. It means that a Champion who loses cannot remove the tag "ex" in front of his name by regaining a title. Never is a strong word, but they rarely do.

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VICTORY SMILE



Triumphant Dai Dower (Wales) holds the trophy after retaining the British Empire Flyweight Championship at Harringay Arena, London, on December 6. Dower defeated South African challenger Jake Tull on points over 15 rounds.—Reuterphoto.

Royal H.K. Defence Force Orders

Serial No. 50. Orders By Colonel L. T. Ride, CBE, ED, Commandant, Royal Hongkong Defence Force. Dated December 13, 1955.

The Hong Kong Regiment Training "B" Coy, on Monday, December 19, 1955. Pay Parade: HQ MPD for HQS at 5.30 p.m. Trs: M1—Monday, December 19, 1955. No Parade.

Hong Kong Auxiliary Air Force Pay Parade: Pay Parade will be held on Friday, December 16, 1955 at HQ RHKDF Happy Valley. Units: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 155th, 156th, 157th, 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INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS BEING RESTORED IN ARGENTINE

Buenos Aires, Dec. 15.

The rights of the individual are being gradually restored in Argentina through the elimination of restricting laws.

One stride towards the restoration of personal freedom was taken with the repeal, by the Provisional Government led by General Pedro Eugenio Aramburu, two months after the fall of the former President Peron, of a ten-year-old decree to prevent "crimes against the security of the state."

This decree was used by General Peron as the main weapon to silence opposition. It was issued in January 1945 by the pro-fascist President General Edelmiro Farrell and was countermanded by General Peron as Minister of War.

Taken at its face value, it outlawed practically every individual right which the Constitution guaranteed, from the publication of news and views to the freedom to strike.

Internal War

Soon after its publication, the Supreme Court declared it unconstitutional and for nearly two years it was shelved, until the first Peronist Congress made it law and the Peronists judges enforced it.

Combined with the provisions of the "state of internal war" enacted by law following the frustrated anti-Peronist coup of 1951, there was almost no limitation to the powers of the state and the police. Peron's opponents were imprisoned for years without redress. No writ of habeas corpus was taken into consideration by the courts. The voice of the opposition was silenced. Public meetings were banned. Newspapers were closed down.

Later, a third law, the "law of contempt", which placed state officials above criticism, was added to the list, making the Peronist state immune in the face of any possible political attack. The law of contempt has now also been repealed by a decree of the Provisional Government.

In the Courts, work has been accumulating because many Courts were closed for over a month while all the Peronist judges were removed and replaced by men who had not been contaminated by Peronist methods and procedure.

In addition to routine suits, civil and criminal cases have been accumulating against former Peronist leaders and officials. These cases have been presented both by private individuals and by some 300 Government investigating committees which are painstakingly building up evidence against former Ministers, legislators, Governors and party leaders.

Extortion

It is expected to be many months yet before the judicial maze is sorted out and the court machinery is running on a smooth basis again.

Unusual cases baffling the judges include, for instance, that of the police purging itself. The Federal Police under its new chief, Navy Captain Luis Maria Dellepiane, has started a thorough screening of its commanding officers and men, in general.

Some of them were found to have embezzled public funds, others to have made big fortunes through bribery and extortion.

No less than 40 are under arrest on charges of having tortured prisoners. In some cases, the torture resulted in the death of the victim.

Writs of habeas corpus on behalf of people who disappeared under the Peronist regime are still being presented to court. One concerns the father of a 10-year-old girl known as "Juanita" (her family name has not been revealed) whom officials of the Provisional Government Residence tried to lure there. Juanita caught General Peron's eye at a student's meeting.

Major Step

Officials called three times at her house inviting her to go to the President's residence. Once they left a crocodile wallet containing 500 pesos. Juanita never

went, but one day her father vanished from home and has never been heard of since. Lawyers believe that he is imprisoned, on forged charges, in some isolated prison in the interior of Argentina as a common criminal.

One of the major steps towards rebuilding an independent judiciary system has been the separation of the Ministry of the Interior (which is in charge of the police) and the Ministry of Justice.

Two years ago, General Peron fused these two Ministries and put Angel Gabriel Borloughi, a former commercial employee union leader, now in exile, in charge. A few weeks after the new Argentine administration took over, the two departments became independent again.

Long Task

With no Congress to legislate—both Peronist—controlled houses were disbanded immediately after the fall of Peron—laws which were considered to be at variance with the principles of democracy or with the Constitution are being fast scrapped through decrees. But this is a long task.

The view is gathering strength here each day that the Constitution itself must be revised. In the meantime, coercive regulations are being discarded by judges who, in this difficult period of transition, are following the dictates of goodwill and common sense rather than the outdated forms of a dictatorial order.—China Mail Special.



NEHRU WARNING ON AID

Now Delhi, Dec. 15.

Indian Premier Jawaharlal Nehru has warned India not to count too much on foreign aid for the country's second five years plan.

Premier Nehru gave the warning in a speech to the Indian Congress Party's parliamentary group on December 5, quoted today in the Party's fortnightly economic review. The review quoted Mr. Nehru as saying that, in view of events taking place in the outside world at the present time, it would not be advisable for India to seek foreign aid.—France-Press.

PLEBISCITE IN BRITISH TOGOLAND

United Nations, Dec. 15.
 With new members voting for the first time, the United Nations General Assembly today approved the Trusteeship Committee's recommendations for a plebiscite in British Togoland to determine the territory's future. The vote was 42 to 7 with 11 abstentions.

Two new Communist members, Hungary and Rumania, voted with the bloc of the Soviet Union, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Byelo-Russia and the Ukraine. Among other new members casting their first vote, Spain voted for the proposal, and Portugal, Jordan and Libya abstained.

The Indian delegate, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, said India "has no reservations whatsoever in paying our tribute to the government of the United Kingdom for bringing the trusteeship policy to its fulfillment. We believe that by this resolution and by the plebiscite not only will the trust territory of British Togoland gain independence but an example will be set for other dependent peoples of Africa will emerge to independence more speedily."

The Assembly also confirmed unanimously the Committee's election of Eduardo Espinosa Prieto of Mexico as Plebiscite Commissioner for Togoland. He was Mexico's delegate in the Trusteeship Committee during the debate on the Togoland question.—United Press.

Resettlement Of Jews

New York, Dec. 15.

An emergency migration programme costing \$3,700,000 was adopted tonight by the American Joint Distribution Committee to provide transport and resettlement for some 45,000 North African Jews next year in Israel.

The migration programme was part of the record \$29,200,000 budget approved by the AJDC's annual meeting here. The budget—some \$4,000,000 more than in 1955—will provide assistance next year to more than 200,000 needy persons in 25 countries in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East, including Israel.—United Press.

Joint US-Canadian Air Defence System PLANS OUTLINED

Ottawa, Dec. 15.

While details of the joint Canada-United States defence system with its four air interception and radar lines are naturally kept secret for security reasons, the new Canadian Minister of Defence, Mr. Ralph Campney, has lately outlined their general nature more clearly to promote understanding at home and abroad.

Official Ottawa is anxious that Canada's North Atlantic Treaty partners should understand that heavy defence expenditure on this continent is a contribution to the security of the North Atlantic Treaty powers in Europe.

For the defence of Canada, Canadian troops have fought in the Low Countries of Europe in two world wars. In a third, Canada herself might become a Belgium, with the issue decided, perhaps, in the air over the lowlands of northern Canada. In such a war, a knockout blow at Pittsburgh or the Sault Ste. Marie could be crippling to the whole Atlantic community.

Main Elements

As described by Mr. Campney, there are four main elements in the integrated continental air defence system, not merely three as commonly understood.

1. The Pinetree System, tying into the Canadian-US air defence commands a basic radar warning and control system. This, located in the southern area, not too distant from the border, links up the air interceptor forces of both countries.

2. The mid-Canada line, further north, which is Canada's own special contribution to continental defence. It is usually known here as the McGill Fence, since the radar interception methods and devices were largely worked out at McGill University, Montreal.

3. The Distant Early Warning line across the most northerly practicable part of the continent. This is the line consists of a series of unit detection and warning stations with main stations at intervals between the Labrador coast, through the Hudson Bay to the Panhandle of Alaska.

Intense Cold

Royal Canadian Air Force and civil aircraft carried out nearly 5,000 hours of aerial photography. The Bell Telephone Company was designated management contractor for the project. Since much of the area consists of muskeg bogs, building materials are being taken from in winter by tractor trains with powerful diesel engines pulling twelve "waggons," giant freight sleds.

On the rock foundation of the Pre-Cambrian shield, it is comparatively easy to erect concrete structures, but where topsoil is deep, special problems arise, due alternate thawing and freezing. There, piles have to be sunk into holes made deep into the permafrost by high pressure steam jets. Radar towers, to withstand intense cold, must be fitted with special de-icing equipment.

Building in the sub-Arctic raises problems described by Mr. Campney as "of a less technical nature." For example, one work party in the Hudson Bay area this summer was held up by the presence of large numbers of Arctic Polar bears. Some contracts were awarded with which the mid-Canada line is being pushed ahead is indicated by dollar figures. Last June, only 38,000,000 dollars (over \$23,000,000) had been spent. By August, contracts worth over \$100,000,000 were awarded. Some \$20,000,000 had been lost, while by the end of the year Mr. Campney estimates that the figure, which is already over the 100,000,000 dollar mark, will have increased still further.

Race Against Ice

As for the Distant Early Warning line, Canada has already flown in 17,000 tons of equipment for this project undertaken and mainly financed by the United States.

In addition, Canadian ice-breakers and northern supply vessels took part in an extraordinary race against ice during the brief Arctic summer to deliver 500,000 tons of cargo to the far north by sea. Captain O.C.B. Robertson, RCN, commanding the Labrador patrol vessel, manoeuvred his ships round the ice in lower Foxe Basin to reach sites on the remote Melville peninsula.

Replying to critics who suggest that the Canada should allow the United States to assume the responsibility and the cost of northern defence, Mr. Campney replied: "The project is for the defence of both countries and indeed for the defence of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, for as much as our being down in Europe is being done in Europe itself."

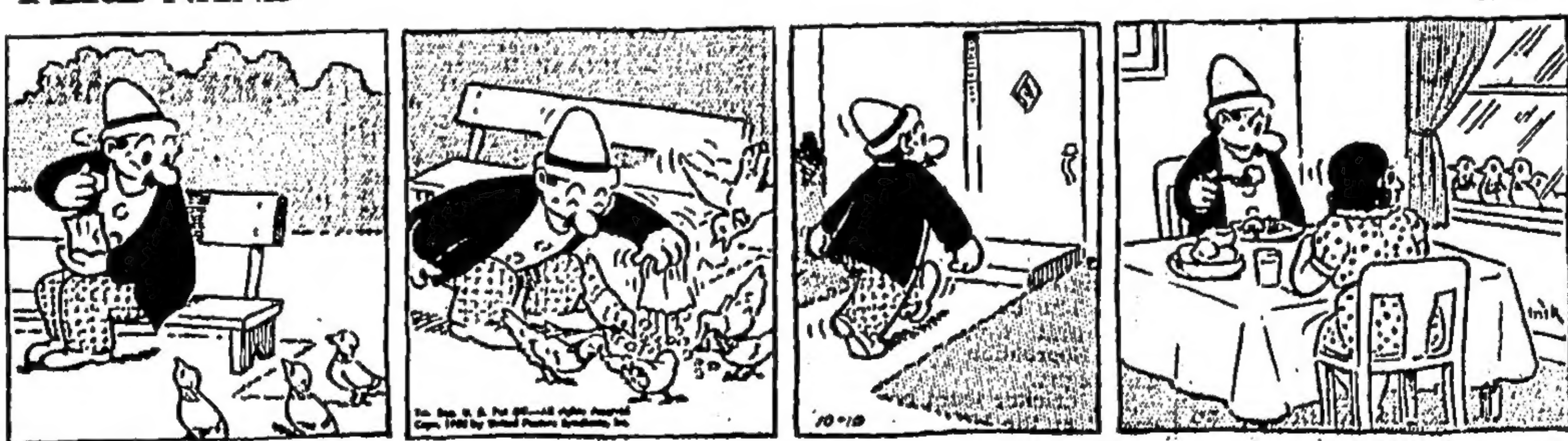
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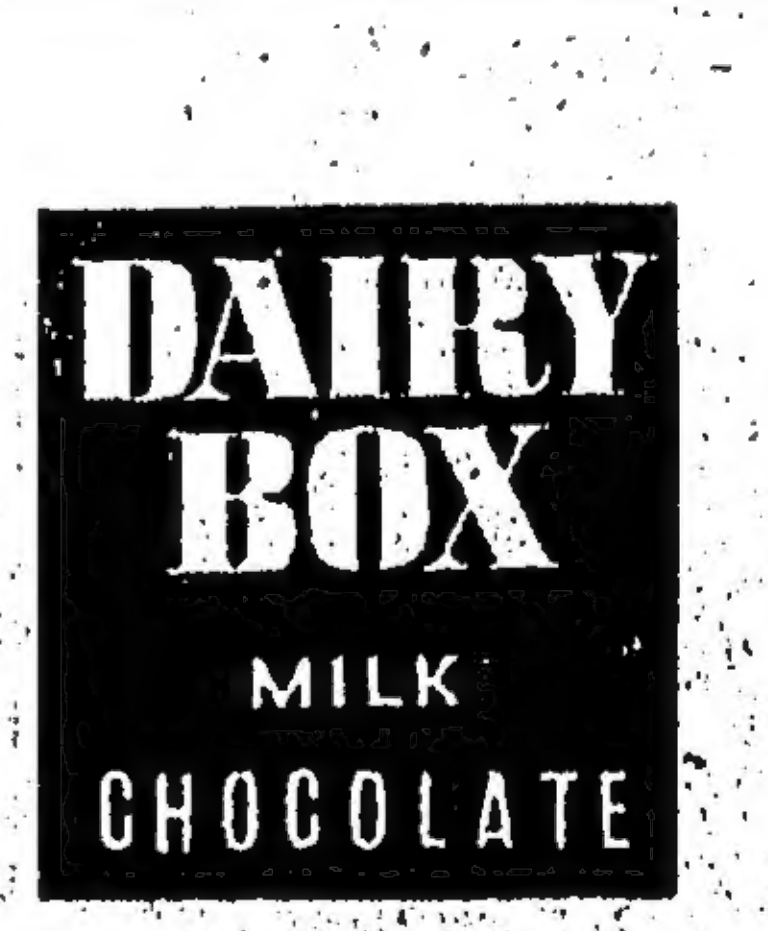
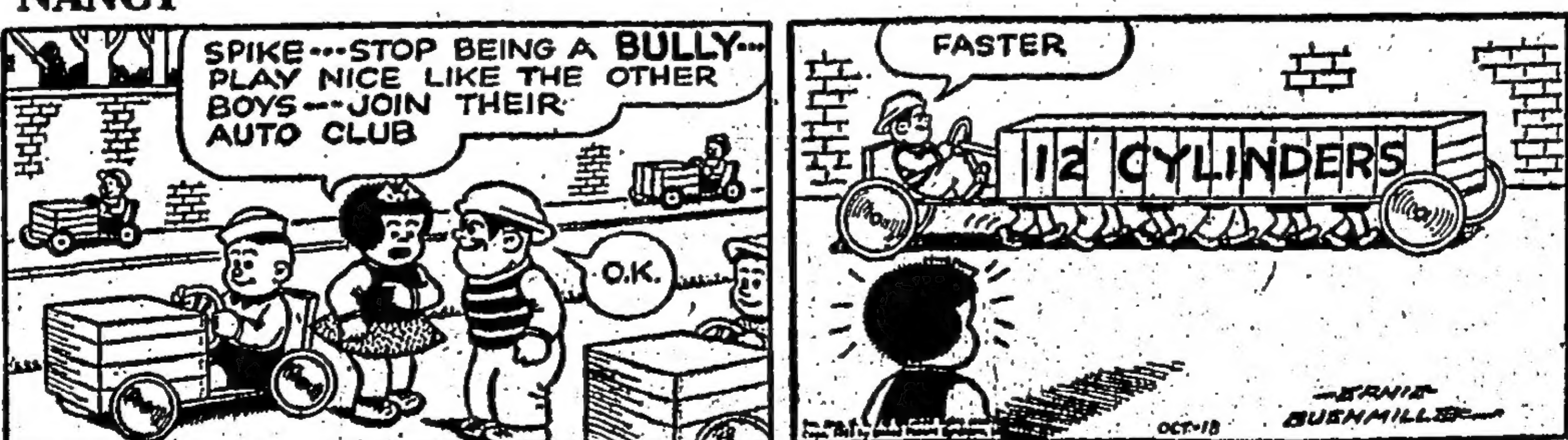
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